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# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE OFFICERS  
OF THE TOWN OF

**TOWNSEND**  
MASSACHUSETTS

for the year ending  
**DECEMBER 31**

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# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

**OF THE**

**Officers and Committees**

**OF THE**

**TOWN of TOWNSEND**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1946**



## **TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED 1946**

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**Moderator**  
Earle S. Bagley

**Town Clerk**  
Robert A. Copeland

**Treasurer**  
May J. Parker

**Collector of Taxes**  
John J. Piper

**Selectmen**

Stephen W. Keefe	Term expires 1947
Louis S. Josselyn	Term expires 1948
Clarence H. Christian	Term expires 1949

**Assessors**

Walter D. Farrar (Deceased)	Term expires 1947
Lyman A. Cook	Term expires 1948
Joseph R. Arlin	Term expires 1949

**Board of Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance**  
Clare F. Creighton, Chairman of Welfare  
Dorothy B. Keefe, Chairman of Old Age Assistance  
Francis N. Boutelle

**Board of Health**  
Richard S. Ely      Melora E. Proctor      Henry S. Bailey

**Constables**

Ira D. Carleton	Richard A. Keefe
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## Committee For Suppression

Louis S. Josselyn Stephen W. Keefe Clarence H. Christian

### School Committee

Marjorie J. Baumis	Term expires 1947
Edwin B. Larson	Term expires 1947
Earle S. Bagley	Term expires 1948
Harold E. Adams	Term expires 1948
Ellen M. Whitcomb	Term expires 1949
Ruth M. Marshall	Term expires 1949

### Library Trustees

Hattie M. Davis	Term expires 1947
Carl B. Willard	Term expires 1948
Alice E. Harvey	Term expires 1949

### Park Commissioners

William T. MacMaster	Term expires 1947
Peirce Lithgow	Term expires 1948
Arthur Borneman	Term expires 1949

### Water Commissioners

Henry S. Bailey	Term expires 1947
Ira D. Carleton	Term expires 1948
Arthur P. Bliss (Deceased)	Term expires 1949

### Cemetery Commissioners

Fred O. Starkey (Deceased)	Term expires 1947
Eneas C. Morgan	Term expires 1948
Francis N. Boutelle	Term expires 1949

### Trustees of the James H. Tucker Fund

Richard S. Ely      Eva M. Ely      Oscar B. Mudgett

### Tree Warden

William W. Copeland

## **TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED**

**1946**

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### **Town Accountant**

Mildred B. Colby

Appointed March 5, 1946

### **Town Counsel**

Earle S. Bagley

### **Police**

Ira D. Carleton, Chief

Arthur Koykka

\*Deceased

Raymond S. Floyd

Wilfred D. Hamel

### **Superintendent of Streets**

Benjamin P. Poor

### **Board of Engineers**

Lewis Kleinberg

Herbert Hotaling

Charles D. Gould

Bradford S. Hubbard

Ira H. Lund

### **Registrars of Voters**

John E. O'Brien

Term expires 1947

Leo A. Makela

Term expires 1948

Lester R. Spofford

Term expires 1949

### **Forest Warden**

Walter D. Leonard

### **Moth Superintendent**

William W. Copeland

### **Sealer of Weights and Measures**

William F. Bailey

**Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering**  
**Lyman A. Cook**

**Dog Officer**  
**Arthur B. Borneman**

**School Physician**  
**Dr. Richard S. Ely**

**Tax Title Custodian**  
**May J. Parker**

**Soldiers' Burial Agent**  
**James F. Smith**

**Fence Viewers**  
**Ira D. Carleton** \*Arthur P. Bliss

**Field Drivers**  
**Ira D. Carleton** \*Arthur P. Bliss  
\* Deceased.

**Public Weighers**  
**Roy A. Elliott** Lester R. Spofford  
**John Robichaud** Richard C. Ellis  
**T. James Harvey** Harry F. Shields  
Robert Robichaud

**Culler of Hoops and Staves**  
**N. J. McGuire** Fred Rockwood

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber**  
**L. Z. Watkins** Howard Doran  
**Clarence Wyman** \*E. B. Morse  
**R. H. Martin** L. B. Clark  
\* Deceased.

**Town Forest Committee**  
**Francis N. Boutelle** Term expires 1947  
**Arthur E. Ball** Term expires 1948  
**Irving A. Seaver** Term expires 1949

### **Finance Committee**

Cornelius P. Keefe	Term expires 1947
Lockett G. Coleman	Term expires 1948
Clarence L. Webster	Term expires 1948
Daniel B. Ormsby	Term expires 1949
Hollis Hathaway	Term expires 1949

### **Abram S. French Fund Committee**

A. Dudley Bagley, Jr.	Cornelius P. Keefe
	Agnes R. Sherwin

### **West Townsend Reading Room Fund Committee**

Carl B. Willard	Eva M. Ely	Oscar B. Mudgett
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### **Amanda E. Dwight Entertainment Fund Committee**

Carl B. Willard	Term expires 1947
Caroline W. Willard	Term expires 1947
Robert A. Copeland	Term expires 1948
John J. Piper	Term expires 1948
Timothy E. Flarity (Deceased)	Term expires 1949
Agnes M. Sherwin	Term expires 1949

### **Post-War Public Works Planning Committee**

Hollis Hathaway	Frank J. Baumis
William H. Wing	Cornelius P. Keefe
	Stephen W. Keefe

### **Rehabilitation Committee**

Donald E. Domina	Ethel L. Amiro
Alvin C. Eaton	Joan Bennett
Willard A. Greer	Carl B. Willard

### **Junk Dealers**

Philip Winthrop	Isaac Flaum
Henry Bower	Max Sideman

Lewis Waldron

### **Hackney License**

S. Harry Bohanon

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
March 4, 1946

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend in said county:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in Memorial Hall in said Townsend, on March 4, 1946 at 9 A. M. to act on the following articles, viz.:

To give in their votes on one ballot for Moderator, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, two Constables, three Trustees of the Tucker Fund, three members of the Board of Health, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Cemetery Commissioner, all for one year; three Selectmen (one for one year, one for two years and one for three years). One Assessor, three members of the School Committee, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Park Commissioner, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Water Commissioner, all to serve for three years. Also one Park Commissioner and one member of the School Committee for two years.

The polls will open at 9 A. M. and will be closed at 6:30 P. M. The meeting in town affairs will begin at 11 A. M.

Article 1. To choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 2. To accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

Article 3. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1946.

Article 4. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1947.

Article 5. To choose an agent, or agents, to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel.

Article 6. To choose a committee for the suppression of vice and prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize a transfer of \$901.49 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Article 8. To raise and appropriate money for several departments of the town, a detailed list of which will be found in the budget included in the report of the Selectmen.

\*Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways, (Town's share \$500.00).

\*Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 81 Highways. (Town's share \$5,325.00).

\*Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of Warren Road (to continue from the improved section to the Lunenburg line) said money to be used in conjunction with any money that may be allocated by the State or County, or both, for this purpose. (Town's share \$2,500.00.)

\*Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a four wheel drive truck and plow for the Highway Department, said purchase to be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

\*Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of new heating equipment in Memorial Hall.

\*Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of new seats in Memorial Hall.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase from the F. W. Wood Estate the so-called Adams Mill Water Privilege, with the dam and with the land and rights of way appurtenant thereto and flowage rights connected therewith, or take any action relating thereto.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to elect the Collector of Taxes for a term of Three Years instead of One Year.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a bridge over the Squanicook River on Old Meeting House Road near the Tighe pasture.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

\*Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,129.62 to pay the County of Middlesex for the town's assessment in connection with the Middlesex County Sanitorium for the year 1945.

\*Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00, by transfer, from the Surplus Revenue to the Reserve Fund.

\*Article 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a sum not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) from the Surplus Revenue for the purpose of affecting the 1946 tax rate.

Article 21. To decide whether the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses (\$456.13 for '44 and \$390.46 for '45) shall be used for the Public Library or the Schools.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to give to the Franz Waldo Miller Post No. 199, American Legion, Townsend, Massachusetts, Seminary Hall, said premises to be conveyed to said American Legion Post by good and sufficient deed, and to be used by the donees as permanent quarters of the American Legion of Townsend, or take any action relating thereto.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to accept the Provisions of Chapter 723, Acts of 1945, being an act to authorize the establishment and maintenance of municipal departments and of districts for furnishing information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans or take any action thereon.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the town's Rehabilitation Committee.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to accept a way from near the Proctor Mill site on Pierce Road to the home of Matti Siikki, a distance of about one-half mile.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

\*Article 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the way leading north off Turnpike Road through land owned by Nillo Wood about 275 ft. to corner formed by land of Frank A. Bennett Estate and land of Nillo Wood.

\*Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to extend the water main on Elm Street, West Townsend a distance of 2750 feet to near the Sundstrom home.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Fitchburg Road from near the Zufelt home, a distance of about one and one-third miles to near the Orngvist home.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

\*Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light near the home of Louis Welch.

\*Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light near the home of Lockett Coleman.

\*Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of an air compressor to be used by the Cemetery, Highway and Water departments and to be under the supervision of the Highway department.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Cemetery Department to make a charge for the use of the lowering device at all funerals.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cap the unused well and repair the pump house in the rear of Hillside Cemetery.

Not Approved by Finance Committee

\*Article 34. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the present balance on the Cemetery Sales of Lots fund the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to be used for the development and improvement of new sections in the cemeteries of Townsend.

\*Article 35. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Observation Post.

\*Article 36. To see if the town will vote to accept from Howard A. Terrell the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended

for the perpetual care of the Howard A. Terrell Lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 18, Row 8.

\*Article 37. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of M. Eunice Coolidge the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Benjamin Manning Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 19, Section 3.

\*Article 38. To see if the town will vote to accept from Oscar Leino the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Oscar Leino Lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 33, Row 7.

\*Article 39. To see if the town will vote to accept from Tilda Hykkyri the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Tilda Hykkyri Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 57A, Section 6.

\*Article 40. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of Mary E. Adams the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars (\$275.00) in trust, to apply on three cemetery lots as follows:

Betsey Beard Lot, \$100.00, Sec. No. 2, Lot No. 57.

Noah W. Adams Lot, \$100.00, Sec. No. 2, Lot No. 18A.

Jessie Seaver Lot, \$75.00, Sec. No. 2, Lot No. 18.

The income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the above named lots in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center.

\*Article 41. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of William Blye the additional sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the William Blye Lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 27, Row 8.

\*Article 42. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of Eliza Ann Manchester the sum of One Hun-

dred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Andrew J. Manchester Lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 21, Row 1.

\*Article 43. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of George A. Ballou the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the George A. Ballou Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 41, Section 5.

\*Article 44. To see if the town will vote to accept from Samuel E. Kane the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Samuel E. Kane Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 44A. Section 7.

\*Article 45. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of Lucy R. Clark the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Lucy R. Clark Lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 19, Row 5.

\*Article 46. To choose committees, to hear reports of committees or to act in any way in relation to any of the foregoing articles.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1946.

HOLLIS HATHAWAY  
LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE

Selectmen of Townsend

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof at the Memorial Hall at the Center, the Brick Meeting-House in West Townsend, and the Firehouse in the

Harbor, in said Townsend, seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of your doings therein, to the Selectmen or Town Clerk, on or before the time appointed for said meeting.

A true copy. Attest:

RICHARD A. KEEFE, Constable.

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\* Approved by Finance Committee.

## ACTION ON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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March 4, 1946.

Pursuant to the warrant the annual meeting of the town was held on the above date in Memorial Hall. At 9 A. M. the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Earle S. Bagley.

The Town Clerk read the warrant to article 1, and, as there was no objection, further reading of the warrant was omitted. The ballot clerks and tellers as sworn in were William H. Wing, Stephen W. Keefe, Jr., Ruth Domina, Ruth Morrison, Helen Sherwin, Agnes Sherwin, Nathalie Misner and Ella Wilder.

The polls were declared open at 9:05 A. M.

At 11 A. M. The meeting was again called to order by the Moderator. Action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint all officers of the town not required to be elected by ballot.

Article 2. Voted to accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1946; and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws. (Unanimous.)

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$15,000, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year 1947; and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws. (Unanimous).

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as agents to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel. (Unanimous).

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town. (Unanimous.)

Article 7. Voted to authorize a transfer of \$901.49 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account. (Unanimous).

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate money for the several departments of the town, and action on the budget followed, as listed:

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#### APPROPRIATIONS AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 4, 1946

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#### BUDGET ITEMS

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##### General Government

Moderator	10.00
Selectmen, salaries	550.00
Selectmen, expense	100.00
Treasurer, salary	500.00
Treasurer, expense	250.00
Tax Collector, salary	600.00
Tax Collector, expense	300.00
Accountant, salary	600.00
Accountant, expense	150.00
Town Clerk, salary	150.00
Town Clerk, expense	50.00
Assessors, services and expense	600.00
Town Counsel	100.00
Election and registration	325.00
Certifying town notes	20.00

Seminary Hall	50.00
Memorial Hall	2,400.00
W. T. Reading Room	100.00

#### Protection of Persons and Property

Police	3,000.00
Firemen, salaries	1,200.00
Fire Department expense	1,674.00
Forest fires	700.00
Forest fire patrol	200.00
Moth suppression	200.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Pruning elms	100.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	100.00
Bounties	10.00

#### Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	1,023.50
Nashoba Associated Boards of Health	619.50
Town Nurse	1,100.00
Vital statistics	80.00
Inspection of meat and animals	250.00
Dog officer	50.00
Vaccine for rabies	50.00
Town dump	125.00

#### Highways

Bridges and village streets	1,000.00
Snow removal	7,500.00
Street lighting	2,040.96

#### Public Welfare

Salaries of Board	700.00
Expense of Board	200.00
Infirmary	3,200.00
Relief	4,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	16,000.00

**Soldiers' Benefits**

Soldiers' benefits	1,000.00
Administration expense	200.00

**Schools**

General expense and vocational education	47,800.00
Vocational tuition	300.00

**Library**

General expense	754.05
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**Recreation and Unclassified**

Parks	250.00
Memorial Association	150.00
Band concerts	400.00
Town reports	410.69
Compensation insurance	450.00
Custodian tax title possessions	25.00
Miscellaneous	400.00

**Water Department**

Annual maintenance	5,228.00
Hydrants	3,480.00

**Cemeteries**

General and annual care	1,000.00
Soldiers' graves	250.00

**Interest**

General account	100.00
On water bonds	2,677.50

**Maturing Debt**

Water bonds	5,000.00
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Total of budget items 124,453.20

## APPROPRIATIONS UNDER ARTICLES

### Article

9. Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance	500.00
10. Highways, Chapter 81, Rd. Repairs	5,325.00
11. Highways, Warren Rd. Construction	2,500.00
13. Memorial Hall Heating Equipment	4,000.00
18. Middlesex Co. Tuberculosis Hospital	1,129.62
24. Rehabilitation Committee	200.00
29. Electric light, near Louis Welch	24.96
30. Electric light, near Lockett Coleman	24.96
Total appropriations under articles	\$13,704.54

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation 138,157.74

## APPROPRIATIONS FROM SURPLUS REVENUE

### Article

9. Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,600.00
10. Highways, Chapter 81, Rd. Repairs	10,650.00
11. Highways, Warren Construction	7,500.00

Temporary transfers from Surplus Revenue 19,150.00  
(In anticipation reimbursement, State & County)

12. Purchase, 4-wheel truck and plows	1,000.00
13. Memorial Hall Heating System	4,000.00
14. Memorial Hall seats	2,500.00
19. For Reserve Fund	3,000.00
20. To Assessors for stabilizing tax rate	7,000.00
31. Purchase of air-compressor	2,300.00

19,800.00

Total appropriations from Surplus Revenue 38,950.00

## TRANSFERS FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS

### Article

7. Road Machinery Fund to		
Road Machinery Account	901.49	
34. Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund to		
Cemetery Development Account 200.00		
Transfers from other available funds	1,101.49	

## AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW

### Article

12. For 4-wheel truck and plows	7,000.00
27. Elm St. Water Extension	7,500.00
28. Fitchburg Road Water Extension	7,500.00
Total authorization to borrow	22,000.00

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90, Highway Maintenance and improvement, and that in addition, the sum of \$1,000 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Surplus Revenue. (Unanimous).

Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,325 to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that in addition the sum of \$10,650 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored, upon receipt, to the Surplus Revenue. (Unanimous).

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the improvement of Warren Road from the improved section to the Lunenburg line, said sum, or any por-

tion thereof, to meet the town's share of the cost of the **work, and that in addition the sum of \$7,500 be transferred from the Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to Surplus Revenue.** (Unanimous).

Article 12. Motion: Inasmuch as this article calls for borrowing money, and requires a two-thirds vote, it was moved that the vote should be by ballot and that the check list be used. The motion to vote by ballot was lost.

It was then voted that the sum of \$8,000 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a four-wheel drive truck and plows for the highways, and to meet said appropriation there be appropriated the sum of \$1,000 from available funds in the treasury, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$7,000, and to issue notes of the town therefor, payable in accordance with Chapter 44, General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first note, or at such earlier times as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to make the purchase.

Standing vote: Yes, 92. No, 1.

Article 13. Voted that the sum of \$8,000 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of installing new heating equipment in Memorial Hall, and to meet said appropriation there be appropriated the sum of \$4,000 from available funds in the treasury, and that the sum of \$4,000 be raised by taxation, and that the installation be under the supervision of the Selectmen and the Finance Committee. (Unanimous).

Article 14. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$2,500 for the installation of new seats in Memorial Hall, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to make the purchase. (Unanimous),

Article 15. Voted to pass the article.

Article 16. Voted to pass the article.

Article 17. A motion was made that the town either rebuild or repair the Tighe Bridge (so-called). After much discussion a standing vote was taken. 12 voted Yes. 57 voted No.

Article 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,129.62 to pay the County of Middlesex for the town's assessment in connection with the Middlesex County Sanatorium for the year 1945, in compliance with the General Laws, Chapter 111, Sections 78 to 90 inclusive, and all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, including Chapter 400, Section 25G (6) (a) of the Acts of 1936 and Chapter 500, Section 1, of the Acts of 1943. (Unanimous).

Article 19. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$3,000, by transfer, from the Surplus Revenue to the Reserve Fund. (Unanimous).

Article 20. Voted to authorize the Assessors to use a sum not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) from the Surplus Revenue for the purpose of affecting the 1946 tax rate.

Standing vote: Yes, 54. No, 8.

Article 21. Voted that the money refunded to the town, by the County on account of dog licenses (\$456.13 for 1944 and \$390.46 for 1945) be used for the Public Library. (Unanimous).

Article 22. Voted to give to the Franz Waldo Miller Post, No. 199, The American Legion, Townsend, Massachusetts, Seminary Hall, said premises to be conveyed to said American Legion Post by good and sufficient deed, and to be used by the donees as permanent quarters of the American Legion of Townsend. (Unanimous).

Article 23. Voted to pass the article.

Article 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the use of the town's Rehabilitation Committee.

Article 25. Voted to pass the article.

Article 26. Voted to accept the way leading north off Turnpike Road through land owned by Nillo Wood, about 275 feet, to corner formed by land of Frank Bennett Estate and land of Nillo Wood, said way to be forty feet wide. (Unanimous).

Article 27. Voted to borrow and appropriate the sum of Seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to extend the water main on Elm Street, West Townsend, about 2,750 feet to near the Sundstrom home, the contract to be executed by the Board of Selectmen, and the installation to be under the supervision of the Board of Water Commissioners; and that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow \$7,500 with the approval of the Selectmen for a period not exceeding three years, for this purpose. Standing vote: Yes, 110. No, none.

Article 28. Voted to borrow and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to extend the water main on Fitchburg Road, as far as the appropriation will allow, the contract to be executed by the Board of Selectmen, and the installation to be under the supervision of the Board of Water Commissioners, and that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow \$7,500, with the approval of the Selectmen for a period not exceeding three years, for this purpose. Standing vote: Yes, 84. No, none.

Article 29. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24.96 to install a street light near the home of Louis Welch. (Unanimous).

Article 30. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24.96 to install a street light near the home of Lockett Coleman. (Unanimous).

Article 31. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Reve-

nue the sum of \$2,300 for the purchase of an air-compressor to be used by the Cemetery, Highway and Water Departments, and that the Selectmen be empowered to make the purchase and that the machine shall be under the supervision of the Highway Department. (Unanimous).

Article 32. Voted to instruct the Cemetery Department to make a charge for the use of the lowering device at all funerals. An amendment was made by T. James Harvey to this and it was also voted to instruct the Cemetery Department to make a charge of \$2.00 for the lowering device only to non-residents. Standing vote: Yes, 56. No, 6.

Article 33. Voted to pass the article.

Article 34. Voted to appropriate from the present balance on the Cemetery Sales of Lots Fund the sum of \$200 to be used for the development and improvement of new sections in the cemeteries of Townsend. (Unanimous).

Article 35. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the Observation Post at public auction. (Unanimous).

Article 36. Voted to accept from Howard A. Terrell the sum of (\$100) One Hundred Dollars, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Howard A. Terrell lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 18, Row 8. (Unanimous).

Article 37. Voted to accept from the Estate of Eunice Coolidge the sum of (\$100) One Hundred Dollars, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the M. Eunice Manning lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend. Not No. 19, Section 3. (Unanimous).

Article 38. Voted to accept from Oscar Leino the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Oscar Leino lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 33, Row 7. (Unanimous).

Article 39. Voted to accept from Tilda Hykkyri the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Tilda Hykkyri lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 57A, Section 6. (Unanimous).

Article 40. Voted to accept from the Estate of Mary E. Adams the additional sum of Two Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars (\$275) in trust, to apply on three cemetery lots as follows:

Betsey Beard Lot, \$100.00, Sect. No. 2, Lot No. 57.

Noah W. Adams Lot, \$100.00, Sect. No. 2, Lot No. 18A.

Jessie Seaver Lot, \$75.00, Sect. No. 2, Lot No. 18.

The income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the above named lots in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. (Unanimous).

Article 41. Voted to accept from the Estate of William Blye the additional sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the William Blye lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 27, Row 8. (Unanimous).

Article 42. Voted to accept from the Estate of Eliza Ann Manchester the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Andrew J. Manchester lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 21, Row 1. (Unanimous)

Article 43. Voted to accept from the estate of George A. Ballou the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the George A. Ballou lot in Hillside cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 41, Sect. 5. (Unanimous)

Article 44. Voted to accept from Samuel E. Kane the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Samuel E. Kane lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 44A, Sect. 7. (Unanimous)

Article 45. Voted to accept from the Estate of Lucy R. Clark the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Lucy R. Clark lot in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend, Lot No. 19, Row 5. (Unanimous)

Article 46. (1) Voted that the town, when breaking out snow roads, plow out the highway leading from Elm Street east by the Railroad station and freight house, continue by the homes of Waldo E. Leahy and Mrs. Myra Swicker, including the private way from Main Street at the home of Mr. Frank to the freight house. Also that these roads be sanded when icy conditions require. The vote was unanimous.

(2) Voted that a committee be appointed by the chair to investigate the expense of rebuilding the Tighe Bridge, and a report made at the next Special or Annual Town Meeting.

Committee appointed was Louis S. Josselyn, Hollis Hathaway, Walter V. Fletcher, Frank Leahy, Benjamin P. Poor and Galen A. Proctor.

(3) Voted that the Selectmen investigate the expense and advisability of future water extensions, and draw up a plan for such.

(4) Voted that the Highway Department plow out premises of Mrs. Frank Leahy when they plow road by her house.

(5) Voted that a committee be appointed by the chair to recommend a memorial for all veterans of World Wars I and II.

At this time, 4:40 P. M. it was voted to recess the meeting until 6:30 P. M. when the following results of the annual election of town officers was announced by the Town Clerk:

## ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

March 4, 1946

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### **Moderator**

Earle S. Bagley	398
Blanks	74

### **Selectman, Three Years**

Arthur P. Bliss	182
Clarence H. Christian	203
Byron K. Jenna	60
Blanks	27

### **Selectman, Two Years**

Louis S. Josselyn	405
Scattering	1
Blanks	66

### **Selectman, One Year**

Stephen W. Keefe	425
Blanks	47

### **Town Clerk, One Year**

Robert A. Copeland	442
Blanks	30

### **Town Treasurer, One Year**

May J. Parker	409
Blanks	63

### **Tax Collector, One Year**

David F. Keefe	134
Theda E. McGrath	24
John J. Piper	307
Blanks	7

**Assessor, Three Years**

Joseph R. Arlin	398
Scattering	1
Blanks	73

**Tree Warden, One Year**

William W. Copeland	410
Scattering	1
Blanks	61

**Constables, One Year**

Ira D. Carleton	399
Richard A. Keefe	407
Scattering	2
Blanks	136

**Board of Health, One Year**

Henry S. Bailey	363
Richard S. Ely	396
Melora E. Proctor	354
Blanks	303

**Board of Public Welfare**

Francis N. Boutelle	365
Clare F. Creighton	375
Dorothy B. Keefe	381
Scattering	1
Blanks	294

**School Committee, Three Years**

Ruth M. Marshall	383
Ellen M. Whitcomb	363
Scattering	16
Blanks	182

**School Committee, Two Years**

Harold A. Adams	347
Scattering	7
Blanks	118

**School Committee, One Year**

Edwin Larson	52
Scattering	35
Blanks	385

**Trustee of Public Library, Three Years**

Alice E. Harvey	366
Blanks	106

**Trustee of Public Library, One Year**

Hattie M. Davis	378
Blanks	94

**Park Commissioner, Three Years**

Arthur Borneman	193
Edwin Larson	57
Scattering	2
Blanks	220

**Park Commissioner, Two Years**

Peirce Lithgow	280
Scattering	16
Blanks	176

**Cemetery Commissioner, Three Years**

Francis N. Boutelle	289
Charles A. Laws	126
Blanks	57

**Cemetery Commissioner, One Year**

Fred O. Starkey	351
Blanks	121

**Water Commissioner, Three Years**

Arthur P. Bliss	351
Scattering	3
Blanks	118

**Trustees, James H. Tucker Fund, One Year**

Richard S. Ely	388
Eva M. Ely	370
Oscar B. Mudgett	362
Blanks	296

The total number of ballots cast at the meeting was 472

ROBERT A. COPELAND,

Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

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November 26, 1946

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Article 1. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money for the use of the Water Department.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money for the use of the Memorial Day 1946 Committee.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept the way leading from south of railroad track to Route 13 through land of Arlin, Leonard and Thiboutot.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$200, by transfer, from the Sales of Cemetery Lots Fund to the Cemetery Development Account.

Given under our hands, this nineteenth day of November, 1946.

LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE  
CLARENCE H. CHRISTIAN  
Selectmen of Townsend.

A true copy. Attest:

Richard A. Keefe, Constable.

## ACTION ON SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Pursuant to the warrant a special town meeting was held in Memorial Hall on November 26, 1946 at 7:30 P. M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator. The Town Clerk read the warrant and action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. It was voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$500.00 for the use of the Water Department. (Unanimous vote).

Article 2. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$49.65 for the use of the 1946 Memorial Day Committee. (Unanimous vote).

Article 3. Voted to accept as a public way the south-easterly part of Depot Street, so-called, leading from south side of railroad track to Route 13 also called Elm Street, a distance of approximately 520 feet, said way going through or abutted by land of Arlin, Fessenden Co., Goodwin, Leonard and Thiboutot, and B. & M. R. R. the width to be in accordance with bounds to be set by the Highway Department. (Unanimous vote).

Article 4. Voted to transfer \$200.00 from the Sale of Lots Fund to the Cemetery Development of New Additions Account. (Unanimous vote).

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 P. M.

There were 46 voters present.

ROBERT A. COPELAND,  
Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

December 30, 1946

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for temporary increases in the salaries of school teachers as of January 1, 1947, said appropriation to be raised in the tax levy of 1947, or to act in any way relating thereto.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept sections twenty-one (21) and twenty-five (25), inclusive of Chapter One Hundred Thirty-six (136) of the General Laws of Massachusetts, pertaining to the taking part in and witnessing of certain athletic sports or games on the Lord's day, together with any additions or amendments relating thereto, or to act in any way relating thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift from Heirs of the late Frederick W. Wood the property known as "the Adams dam", subject to and with the benefits of any existing water rights or privileges, or to act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to purchase from Heirs of the late Frederick W. Wood certain land near and abutting the Adams dam property and the Squanicook River in Townsend, Massachusetts, together with rights of way from Elm Street and Worcester Road, so-called, to said property, and to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$250.00 for the same, the said land to be used for the improvement of bathing beaches and for recreational and physical exercise purposes, or act in any way in relation thereto.

Given under our hands, this nineteenth day of December, 1946.

LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE  
CLARENCE H. CHRISTIAN

Selectmen of Townsend.

A true copy. Attest:

Richard A. Keefe, Constable.

## ACTION ON SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Pursuant to the warrant a special town meeting was held in Memorial Hall on December 30, 1946 at 7:30 P. M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and the Town Clerk read the warrant. Action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to provide for temporary increases in the salaries of school teachers as of January 1, 1947, said appropriation to be raised in the tax levy of 1947. (Majority vote).

Article 2. Voted that town accept Sections twenty-one (21) and twenty-five (25), inclusive, of Chapter One Hundred Thirty-six (136) of the General Laws of Massachusetts, together with any additions or amendments relating thereto. (Unanimous).

Article 3. Voted that the town accept with gratitude and deep appreciation from Heirs of the late Frederick W. Wood, the gift of the property known as the "Adams Dam", subject to and with the benefit of any existing water rights and priviledges. (Unanimous).

Article 4. Voted that the town purchase from Heirs of the late Frederick W. Wood certain land near and abutting the Adams Dam property and the Squanicoock River in Townsend, Massachusetts, together with rights of way from Elm Street and Worcester Road, so-called, to said property and to raise and appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the same, said property to be used for the improvement of bathing beaches and for recreational and physical exercise purpose. (Unanimous vote).

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P. M. There were 92 present.

ROBERT A. COPELAND,  
Town Clerk.

## NOTICE

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All persons are respectfully requested to examine the following reports of births, marriages, and deaths, and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be found therein, so that the records may be corrected. Any error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition under oath, made by one who is required by law to furnish the information for the original record, or by three or more creditable persons having knowledge of the case. (See Revised Laws, Chapter 29, Sections 9 and 16).

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians and midwives, applying therefor, with blanks for return of birth, as required by law.

ROBERT A. COPELAND,  
Town Clerk.

## Marriages Registered in Townsend 1946

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Jan. 5	Robert P. Nortonen Lorraine Malanson	Townsend Leominster	21 19
Jan. 11	Herman Aho, Jr. Lucille M. Peabody	Townsend Townsend	27 21
Feb. 2	Dana H. Howard Eldora E. Pierce	Randolph, Vt. Townsend	30 21
Feb. 9	Ralph E. Conant Glenys E. Toomey	Townsend E. Pepperell	39 28
Feb. 9	Toivo J. Keurulainen Miriam D. Maki	Townsend Fitchburg	29 25
Mar. 8	Arland E. Richards Phyllis Webb	Townsend Townsend	36 35
Mar. 9	Harry L. Dinsmore Blanche E. Koch	Shirley Townsend	39 30
Mar. 23	Herbert F. Wheeler Bertha K. Laakso	Townsend Townsend	25 26
Mar. 30	Francis M. Lafrennie Agnes R. Jodrey	Winchendon Townsend	24 26
Apr. 13	Howard C. Gilchrest Nannie R. Propst	Townsend Hickory, N. C.	31 26
May 18	Arnold R. Higginbotham Marion H. Valcourt	Charlestown, W. Va. Townsend	37 20
May 27	Charles A. Wyman Lucy L. Wheeler	Townsend E. Pepperell	56 30
June 1	Robert L. Liddell Marion L. Cutting	Townsend Townsend	20 19
June 17	Oscar Leino Aina Jacobson	Mason, N. H. Fitchburg	60 63
June 17	William E. Porter Lucille E. Curtis	Townsend Townsend	33 18
June 29	Herbert A. Sanders, Jr. Lucille E. Davis	Brockton Ashby	20 18
June 29	Kenneth H. Osborn Irene T. Desharnais	Leominster Leominster	26 21
June 29	Milton J. De Mar Virginia Mae Ellis	Leominster Leominster	24 18
June 29	Samuel W. Smith Beverly I. Balcom	Townsend Lunenburg	21 20
June 29	Felix J. Allain Alma Casey	Townsend Townsend	38 31

Date	Name	Residence	Age
July 4	George A. Boudreau	Fitchburg	29
	Emma R. Alsobrooks	Clinton	30
July 20	John L. Buono	Townsend	36
	Jane C. Provost	Townsend	56
July 21	Charles E. Wilson	Presque Isle, Me.	24
	Eva L. Kleinberg	Townsend	17
Aug. 3	Arthur A. Barkhouse	Townsend	45
	Maud M. Douglas	Townsend	47
Aug. 12	Henry Marll	Leominster	62
	Stella DiSando	Leominster	30
Aug. 15	Veikko A. Linna	Townsend	32
	Iria T. Sulin	Fitchburg	22
Aug. 24	Wallace H. King	Townsend	23
	Virginia P. Schreck	Townsend	21
Aug. 30	Earl H. Dudley	Townsend	59
	Mabel P. Sargent	Watertown	52
Aug. 31	Edward S. Funairole	Townsend	26
	Rita M. Fournier	Townsend	23
Sept. 13	Robert Wright	Brookline, N. H.	35
	Shirley Drake	Danbury, N. H.	24
Sept. 28	Richard E. Lorden	E. Pepperell	25
	Anna I. Broschart	Townsend	28
Sept. 28	Bertrand Therrien	Fitchburg	23
	Frances E. Elliott	Townsend	21
Oct. 6	Chadwin E. Taylor	Townsend	26
	Ora Tucker	Townsend	29
Oct. 11	Alvin W. Taylor	Brookline, N. H.	23
	Stella M. Porter	Brookline, N. H.	16
Oct. 19	Earl R. Maxwell	Townsend	26
	Florence D. Hancock	Fitchburg	24
Oct. 19	Henry C. Edwards	Concord, N. H.	45
	Marie Isabelle	Concord, N. H.	36
Nov. 1	Soini O. Lystila	Fitchburg	30
	Doris V. Williams	Townsend	28
Nov. 2	Arthur C. Eaton	Townsend	20
	Elizabeth M. Eastman	Franklin	19
Nov. 9	Joseph A. R. Rivard	Fitchburg	20
	Mary R. Harvey	Townsend	20
Nov. 14	Robert O. Smith	Townsend	45
	Mary E. Smith	Townsend	40
Nov. 23	Leroy G. Boutwell	Pepperell	22
	Norma E. Linna	Milford, N. H.	23
Nov. 30	John K. Koch	Townsend	21
	Anne L. Balacquier	Cambridge	22

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Nov. 30	Edward A. Reeves	Townsend	27
	Dorothy Pavlik	Chicago, Ill.	23
Nov. 30	Arthur G. McInnis	Townsend	24
	Mary H. Crowley	Fitchburg	20
Nov. 30	Arthur E. Crocker	Townsend	54
	Katherine E. Fish	Townsend	28
Dec. 21	Earl W. Seavey	Hooksett, N. H.	55
	Amy Burroughs	Hooksett, N. H.	59
Dec. 22	Robert Hakkinen	Leominster	24
	Anita V. Hamel	Leominster	19

## Births Registered in Townsend 1946

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Date	Name	Parents
Jan. 2	James Alan Hamilton	Robert and Florence Hamilton
Jan. 6	Edith Ann Furlong	Eugene and Hulda Furlong
Jan. 7	Florence Edna Chace	Emerson and Eva Chace
Jan. 10	Dennis Harold Reeves	Harold and Ruth Reeves
Jan. 20	Carole Ann Whitney	Donald and Ellen Whitney
Jan. 31	Nancy Faith Hadley	Perry and Eva Hadley
Feb. 6	Lynda Pierce Onthank	Elmer and Ruth Onthank
Feb. 17	Cheryl Ann Morrilly	Thomas and Shirley Morrilly
Feb. 25	Daniel Charles Arsenault	Blair and Shirley Arseneault
Mar. 3	Frank Stewart Spaulding	Richard and Lillian Spaulding
Mar. 29	Sandra Ellen Maki	Eino and Effie Maki
Apr. 7	Nancy Allard	Robert and Mildred Allard
Apr. 9	John Michael Egan	James and Marilyn Egan
Apr. 9	Joan Charlotte Leahy	Frank and Alice Leahy
Apr. 11	Bruce Leroy Pulling	Robert and Ruth Pulling
Apr. 22	Robert Cadwell Lawton	Richard and Mabel Lawton
May 11	Neil Sterlin Rhodes	John and Doris Rhodes
May 22	Donald Irving Mann	Emory and Charlotte Mann
May 29	Sharon Jean Lineberger	Walter and Betty Lineberger
June 2	Earle Stanwood Bagley, Jr.	Earle and Alice Bayley
June 4	John Earl Syster	Paul and Barbara Syster
July 9	Sharon Eliz. Greenough	Ralph and Beulah Greenough
July 11	Cynthia Bailey	Glenn and Nancy Bailey
July 18	Harold Irving Heaton	Harold and Olive Heaton
July 30	Gerald Kent Hikel	Richard and Virginia Hikel
Aug. 5	George Willard Sullivan	George and Winnifred Sullivan
Aug. 9	James Elliott Thornton, Jr.	James and Beverly Thornton
Aug. 13	Robert Edw. Woodman	Robert and Irene Woodman
Aug. 16	Doris Theresa Till	Walter and Doris Till
Aug. 29	Gregory Francis Maxwell	Harry and Marcia Maxwell
Sept. 9	June Shirley Moison	Alphonse and Irene Moison
Sept. 13	Maryjane Churchville	Lawrence and Jane Churchville
Sept. 16	Russell Arthur Syrjala	Arthur and Ruth Syrjala
Sept. 16	Curtis Titus Hamilton	Curtis and Eleanor Hamilton

Sept. 18	Sylvia Ann Letters	Carl and Vieno Letters
Oct. 14	Judith Ann Koch	Charles and Ruth Koch
Oct. 14	John Roger Hadley	Allen and Alene Hadley
Oct. 31	Albert Howard Zufeldt	A. Reginald and Juliette Zufeldt
Nov. 2	Joanne Ethier	Raymond and Catherine Ethier
Nov. 8	Allan Leo Leino	Leo and Lillian Leino
Nov. 9	Donna Louise Dodge	Norman and Lena Dodge
Nov. 15	John Ellis Furlong	Eugene and Hulda Furlong
Nov. 19	Wayne Richard Smith	Edgar and Arlene Smith
Nov. 29	Randolph Eric Thibeault	Henry and Ralda Thibeault
Nov. 29	Larry Lee Pierce	Merrill and Katherine Pierce
Dec. 10	James Wm. MacMaster	Robert and Phyllis Mac- Master
Dec. 11	Lucille Frances Boucher	John and Lucille Boucher
Dec. 17	John Richard Aho	Herman and Lucille Aho
Dec. 20	Daniel James La Freniere	Albert and Corinne La Freniere
Dec. 29	Lester Raymond Colt, Jr.	Lester and Agnes Colt
Dec. 31	Harry William Pineo	Leon and Jessie Pineo

## Deaths Registered in Townsend 1946

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D	Place of Burial
Jan. 14	Gilbert P. Estes	78	—	—	Townsend
Jan. 19	Chester R. Card	55	3	5	Townsend
Jan. 21	Sandra Kalho	66	—	—	Townsend
Jan. 29	Addie E. Putnam	83	6	5	Townsend
Feb. 13	Arthur E. Burtt	95	10	—	Townsend
Feb. 14	George J. Upham	84	2	8	Townsend
Feb. 17	William Greenwood	84	10	10	Lawrence
Feb. 18	Minnie R. Upham	80	—	—	Townsend
Mar. 3	James D. Hayes	23	—	—	Townsend
Mar. 5	Clement J. Altmiller	75	7	4	Townsend
Apr. 8	Margaret F. Espie	65	1	13	Fitchburg
Apr. 9	Charles G. Darling	63	2	18	Fitchburg
Apr. 14	Paul G. Provenchor	30	7	13	Manchester N H
Apr. 23	Andrew A. O'Brien	75	—	16	Townsend
May 4	Laura T. Leland	71	8	17	Sherborn
May 12	Richard Battin	67	11	25	Townsend
June 6	Alice E. Powell	69	10	2	Townsend
June 9	Ralph H. Misner	54	6	—	Townsend
June 10	Roy L. Hackett	55	11	26	Taunton
July 24	Charles R. Baillie	54	0	29	Cambridge
Aug. 19	Weet R. Uchtman	97	3	22	Townsend
Aug. 20	Edward B. Morse	80	2	13	Townsend
Sept. 15	Marcia A. French	94	—	—	New Ipswich
					N.H.
Oct. 2	— Winter	—	—	2	West Townsend
Oct. 17	Leora H. Hunt	72	5	2	Berlin, Conn.
Oct. 21	William F. Heselton	78	6	16	Townsend
Oct. 28	Florence K. Hamilton	67	—	—	West Townsend
Nov. 1	Arthur P. Bliss	67	5	17	Townsend
Nov. 4	Mabel M. Bingham	69	4	3	Fitchburg
Nov. 7	Timothy E. Flarity	85	4	1	Townsend
Nov. 8	Marshall Slate	73	7	7	Greenfield
Nov. 14	Fred O. Starkey	69	1	12	Townsend
Nov. 22	Stephen Farrar	77	9	16	Townsend
Nov. 26	George T. Powell	71	4	22	Townsend
Nov. 29	Arvid Lindberg	61	1	23	Townsend
Nov. 29	— Thibeault	—	—	2 hrs.	Fitchburg
Dec. 6	H. Etta Jones	80	—	—	Townsend
Dec. 25	Matti Heinonen	84	1	15	New Ipswich
					N.H.

## Bodies Brought to Townsend for Burial 1946

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Date	Name	Residence
January	Mary Bartholomew	Fitchburg
March	Lilla G. Reeves	Brookhaven, N. Y.
March	Margaret E. Sylvester	Pepperell
April	Louise E. Davis	Stoddard, N. H.
April	Doris M. Freeman	Athol
May	Henry A. Gustin	Belmont
June	Kate L. Brayton	Providence, R. I.
August	Arthur L. Laws	Winchendon
August	Herman Wiitala	Fitchburg
September	Wallace G. Dustin	Francestown, N. H.
October	William H. Whitcomb	Brookline, N. H.
October	Mabel Lawson	New York, N. Y.
November	Dora Terry	Boston

## Report of Janitor Memorial Hall

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Townsend Grange	77.00
Woman's Club	40.00
V. F. W. Auxiliary	38.00
Atlantic College	40.00
Finnish Co-operative	24.00
Jehovah's Witnesses	32.00
Radio Show	10.00
Range Drifters	10.00
Rebekah Lodge	15.00
American Legion	32.00
St. John's Church	11.00
Townsend Band	10.00
Boy Scouts	8.00
V. F. W.	8.00
Legion Auxiliary	8.00
Kendall Anniversary	8.00
Rod and Gun Club	6.00
Daughters of Union Veterans	3.00
Basketball "Clippers"	3.00
Keurulainen Party	3.00
Girl Scouts	3.00
Hotaling Party	3.00
Collected and paid Treasurer	392.00

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ROBERT A. COPELAND

Janitor

## Report of Dog Licenses

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200 Male Dogs @ 2.00 each	\$400.00
37 Female Dogs @ 5.00 each	185.00
50 Spayed Females @ 2.00 each	100.00
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287 Dogs	\$685.00
Less Clerk's Fees	57.40
Overpayment in 1945 to County	1.80
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	59.20
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Paid Treasurer	\$625.80

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## Report of Hunting and Fishing Licenses

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472 Licenses	1,058.25
3 Duplicates	1.50
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Less Clerk's Fees	1,059.75
	117.25
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Paid Fish and Game Commissioner	\$942.50

ROBERT A. COPELAND

Town Clerk

## Report of Town Nurse

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To The Board of Selectmen:  
Townsend, Massachusetts  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Town Nurse for the year 1946.

	Cases	Visits
Morbidity	75	921
To Doctors and Hospitals		36
Antepartum	10	33
To Hospitals		2
Post Partum	9	45
New Born	6	43
Infants	32	184
Preschool	124	153
To Doctors and Hospitals		15
Well Child Conference		9
Babies	15	20
Preschool	20	34
Summer Round Up		1
Vaccinations		27
Physicals		25
Diphtheria Immunization Clinics		3
Under one year		3
One through five		14
Five years and over		10
To T. B. Clinic		5

It is planned to offer a booster dose of diphtheria immunization material to all school children who have not received the protecting material within the past two years.

Well Child Conferences are held the first Thursday of each month at 2 P. M. at the school. This is a service offered by the Town of Townsend without charge to the

parents so that children three weeks to six years may be weighed, measured, and given a physical check at regular intervals. The mothers also have an opportunity to discuss diet, habits, growth, and development, and general health problems with a competent doctor. Dr. Charles Porter of Pepperell will conduct the clinics this year for the Nashoba Health Unit.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL L. AMIRO, R. N.

Town Nurse

## Report of the Town Treasurer

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To the Board of Selectmen:

Townsend, Mass.

I submit the following report as Treasurer for the Town of Townsend for the year ending December 31, 1946:

Balance January 1, 1946	63,120.89
Receipts from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1946	185,364.93
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Total	248,485.82
Disbursements	194,262.28
Balance December 31, 1946	• 54,223.54
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	248,485.82
Total Tax Titles December 31, 1946	234.77
Total Tax Title Possessions	314.32

### TRUST FUNDS

#### Amanda E. Dwight Funds:

For Care of Cemeteries	5,521.64
(Gain in 1946 — \$49.55)	
Lectures and Entertainments	7,597.59
(Loss in 1946 — \$10.00)	
Library—Maintenance and books	9,687.35
For the Worthy Poor	7,639.92
(Loss in 1946 — \$.20)	
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Total Amanda E. Dwight Funds	30,446.50

(Above Funds in custody of N. E. Trust Co. of Boston)

**M. E. Homer West Townsend Reading Room Fund:**

Gardner Savings Bank	2,500.00
North Middlesex Savings Bank	2,500.00
Worcester North Savings Institution	5,000.00

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Total Reading Room Fund	10,000.00
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**Funds for the Worthy Poor:**

**Abram S. French Fund**

Gardner Savings Bank	2,500.00
North Middlesex Savings Bank	2,500.00
Worcester North Savings Inst.	5,000.00

**Harriet Spaulding Fund,**

North Middlesex Savings Bank	300.00
Susan Emery Wilson Fund,	

Franklin Savings Bank	334.00
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**Albert J. Atwood Bequest,**

Townsend National	1,000.71
U. S. War Savings Bond, Series G	10,000.00
U. S. War Savings Bond, Series G	5,000.00

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Total Funds for the Worthy Poor	26,634.71
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**School Funds:**

**Maria L. Lane Fund,**

**Fitchburg Savings Bank:**

Balance Dec. 31, 1945	1,729.05
Accrued Interest	26.01

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	1,755.06
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Withdrawn for school purposes	2.79
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Amount of School Fund December 31, 1946	1,752.27
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**Library Funds:**

**Charles Emery Fund,**

Worcester North Savings Institution	500.00
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**Mary E. Worcester Fund,**

U. S. War Savings Bond, Series G	5,000.00
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Total Library Funds	5,500.00
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**Parks and Monument Funds:**

John B. Blood Monument Fund,	
North Middlesex Savings Bank	2,055.85
Winchendon Savings Bank	1,000.00
Worcester North Savings Instit.	2,000.00
Packard Fund for Parks,	
Fitchburg Savings Bank	5,000.00
Total Parks and Monument Funds	10,055.85

**Cemetery Funds:**

Joel Giles General Care Fund,	
Winchendon Savings Bank	2,200.00
James N. Tucker Fund,	
Winchendon Savings Bank	500.00

**Floral Funds:**

Gustav Anderson Floral Fund,	
Townsend National Bank	100.00
Annis M. Gilson Floral Fund,	
Townsend National Bank	150.00
Henry A. Miner Floral Fund,	
Worcester North Savings Institution	100.00
Ai Richards Floral Fund,	
Townsend National Bank	100.00
Belle Helleur Wiley Floral Fund,	
Townsend National Bank	100.00
Total Cemetery Funds	3,250.00

**Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:**

Chelsea Savings Bank	5,000.00
Fitchburg Savings Bank	5,000.00
Gardner Savings Bank	5,000.00
North Middlesex Savings Bank	5,000.00
Winchendon Savings Bank	5,000.00
Townsend National Bank	35.00

Worcester North Savings Institut. 4,950.00  
New York City Bond 550.00  
U. S. War Savings Bonds, Series G 7,300.00

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Total Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds 37,835.00  
Amount of Funds in Custody of Town Treasurer 95,027.83  
Total Amount of Trust Funds 125,474.33

Respectfully submitted,

May J. Parker,  
Town Treasurer.

## Report of the Board of Public Welfare and the Board of Old Age Assistance

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To the Board of Selectmen:

Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

In the year 1946 the relief case load averaged 11 cases each month, all unemployable.

At the present time there are 2 inmates and one boarder at the infirmary. There have been five transients this year staying from one night to one week and for one month there were 9 extra for which the town will receive some reimbursement from the State.

If the town wishes to continue the use of the infirmary there will have to be some repairs made. The house roof needs to be shingled and there are some minor repairs.

This year the barn was repaired. Mr. Bailey the Superintendent did the labor himself on these repairs.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARE F. CREIGHTON

DOROTHY B. KEEFE

FRANCIS N. BOUTELLE

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### Salaries of the Board

Appropriation	700.00
Clare F. Creighton	300.00
Dorothy B. Keefe	300.00
Francis N. Boutelle	100.00
	700.00

### Expense of the Board

Appropriation	200.00
Supplies	41.47
Visiting, investigation and mileage	150.70
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	192.17
Balance December 31, 1946	7.83

### Relief

Appropriation	4,000.00
Locals cases:	
Cash	277.25
Board	233.58
Medical	80.35
State Institutions	1,039.50
Other Cities and Towns	1,019.92
	_____
	2,650.60
Outside relief (full reimbursement)	
Temporary Aid (State Cases)	1,158.23
	_____
Total Local and Outside Relief	3,808.83
	_____
Balance December 31, 1946	191.17

### Infirmary

Appropriation	3,200.00
Transfer from Reserve	706.55
	_____
	3,906.55

### Expenditures:

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Bailey	1,200.00
Provisions	1,158.72
Grain	382.83
Medical	59.50

House Supplies	81.27
Farm Supplies	389.64
Barbering and clothing	5.70
Ice	63.75
Electricity	130.60
Telephone	27.24
Insurance and taxes	71.21
Fuel	336.09
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	3,906.55

Receipts:

Board	317.00
Eggs	10.40
Milk	172.67
Sale of Pigs and Calf	101.20
Telephone	3.89
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	605.16

**Aid to Dependent Children**

Appropriation	2,500.00
Balance of 1945	100.16
Receipts from Federal Gov't.	564.07
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	3,164.23

Payments:

(Four families consisting of 8 children)

24 Cash payments	2,419.65
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Balance in Appropriation	215.80
Balance in Federal Grant	528.78
Federal Grant for Administration of Aid to Dependent Children;	

Balance of 1945	3.38
Receipts from Federal Gov't.	8.28
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Paid Clare F. Creighton	11.66
	10.00
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Balance December 31, 1946	1.66
<b>Amanda E. Dwight Fund for Poor</b>	
Balance from 1945	335.72
Interest for 1946	175.77
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	511.49
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Medical and Hospitalization	379.38
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Balance December 31, 1946	132.11
<b>Spaulding and Wilson Fund for Poor</b>	
Balance from 1945	99.83
Interest for 1946	12.68
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No expenditures in 1946	112.51
<b>Albert J. Atwood Fund for Needy</b>	
Balance from 1945	383.75
Interest for 1946	382.50
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	766.25
<b>Expenditures—One family aided</b>	144.00
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Balance December 31, 1946	622.25
<b>Reimbursement on Relief</b>	
State of Massachusetts (T.A.)	1,063.15
State of Massachusetts (A.D.C.)	580.50
Federal Gov't. (A.D.C.)	564.07
Other Towns	349.58
Federal Gov't. (A.D.C.) Adm.	8.28
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	2,565.58

# Bureau of Old Age Assistance

## GENERAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT

### Receipts

Balance December 31, 1945	801.69
Appropriation	16,000.00
Federal Grant	11,151.04
Cancelled Checks	33.00
	27,985.73

### Payments

Payroll	24,258.79
Medical	1,820.75
Hospital	282.00
Burials	200.00
Other cities and towns	651.14
	27,212.68
Balance in Federal Account	
carried forward	630.11
Balance in Appropriation Account	142.94
	773.05

### Reimbursement to the Town

Received from the State	10,348.46
Meal Tax from State	900.46
From other towns	358.10
	11,607.02

## ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT

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### Receipts

Balance December 31, 1945	.62
From Federal for Administration	371.70
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	372.32

### Payments

Dorothy B. Keefe	183.00
Clare F. Creighton	183.00
Francis N. Boutelle	5.00
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	371.00

Balance	1.32
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Active Cases January 1, 1946	47
Cases opened thru the year	15
Cases closed by death	5
Cases closed for other reasons	3
Active cases December 31, 1946	54

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY B. KEEFE  
CLARE F. CREIGHTON  
FRANCIS N. BOUTELLE

## Report of the Dog Officer

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To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

Following is my report as Dog Officer from January 1, 1946, ending December 31, 1946:

Stray Dogs	18
Dogs destroyed	16
Dogs killed by cars	18
Dogs restrained	10
Pedestrians attacked by dogs	6
Chickens killed by dogs	24
Assisting out of town officers	4
Complaints	40
Total complaints	136

Taxes collected and paid Town Clerk \$24.00.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR B. BORNEMAN

Dog Officer

Please pay your Dog Taxes to the Town Clerk early and save yourself trouble and expense.

Dog owners are requested to see that name plates and dog tags are securely attached to the dog's collar at all times. This will be a great help, if the animal is lost in locating its owner.

## Report of the Cemetery Commissioners

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To the Board of Selectmen

Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

With only a few men available for the work in the cemeteries this year, much hard work has fallen on those few.

We regret the loss of Mr. Fred Starkey, although in very poor health, he worked in the cemetery many days alone. Mr. Lyman Cook was appointed by the selectmen to fill out Mr. Starkey's term.

The commissioners suggest that a power trimmer be purchased so that two men could do the work of six.

This year we hope to have a complete record of perpetual care lots put into a permanent perpetual care book. Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Copeland who compiled the complete list for this book.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### Annual Care of Lots:

Jan. 1, 1946	Uncollected Annual Care	271.75
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Dec. 31, 1946	Annual Care and Rent	
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Charges	428.25
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Collected and paid Treasurer	700.00
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Annual Care and Rent	472.50
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Total uncollected Dec. 31, 1946	227.50
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### Trust Funds

For Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots:

Lilla Reeves Lot	150.00
Franklin Warren Lot	100.00
Spaulding-Howard Lot	300.00
Walter B. Lewis Lot	100.00
Harry C. Felch Lot	100.00
Aaron Hinds Lot	200.00
	950.00

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MORGAN  
L. A. COOK  
F. N. BOUTELLE

## Middlesex County Extension Service

1946

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Food Production was of the utmost importance during 1946 and the main effort of the Extension Service was along this line. Through meetings, radio, farm and home visits, county bulletin, news releases and calls in person and by telephone at the office, assistance was given to as many people as possible.

Fruit growers this year were interested especially in knowing more about frost damage and its prevention and the latest materials to use in spraying to overcome insects and diseases. Because of the wet season, there was a severe infestation of scab and growers required all the assistance possible to produce a good quality crop. Twilight meetings of interest to local growers were held in various parts of the county. Information was sent out to local papers and through town libraries as well as over the radio to help all those interested in home gardens.

Three projects were emphasized to assist those interested in poultry — namely, Better Use of Ranges; Brooding and Rearing; Disease Control and Sanitation.

Of interest to dairymen, the Selective Breeding Association and the Herd Improvement Association were developed and expanded during the year.

Because of the many food shortages experienced during the year, homemakers were given assistance to help them in problems in feeding their families the right foods essential to health despite the shortages. Demonstrations and illustrated talks were given on: When Meat is Scarce; Sugar-Saving Desserts; Use of Available Foods; Oil-Spar-

ing Salad Dressings. Homemakers were interested in clothing renovation and Short Cuts and Speed Tricks in clothing construction. Food preservation was the main project followed during the summer to assist homemakers in the best procedure to insure satisfaction in home canning and preparation of foods for freezing.

In 4-H Club Work there was a large agricultural club for boys and girls interested in gardening, poultry and livestock organized at the school. This group met with the County Club Agent once a month in school time. Eight girls carried on the clothing and canning projects assisted by the mothers. Dale Soule was awarded \$5.00 by the Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture on his dairy work. Walter Richards, Jr., and Charles Kilbourne were both awarded prizes on their gardens, by the Middlesex North Agricultural Society.

## Sealer of Weights and Measures

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Townsend, Mass., Jan. 3, 1947

To the Board of Selectmen

Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

Following is my report for the year ending December 31, 1946:

Sets of scales sealed	35
Avoirdupois weights	49
Liquid measures	4
Gasoline meters	23
Kerosene pumps	7
Yard measures	5
Tank trucks	2

I have collected and paid to the Town Treasurer sealing fees amounting to \$28.84. Unpaid fees \$.62.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. BAILEY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

## Report of Superintendent of Streets

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To the Board of Selectmen  
Townsend, Massachusetts  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Streets for the year ending December 31, 1946.

Last spring the season was particularly hard on the black top roads, which necessitated more patching and re-pairing than usual.

Seventy thousand gallons of asphalt was applied under Chapter 81 and 90 maintenance on the following roads as needed: Brookline, Fitchburg, North End, Townsend Hill, Wallace Hill, South Harbor, Barker Hill, New Fitchburg, Vinton Pond, Bayberry Hill, Lunenburg, Clement, Old City, Tyler, Bow, Oak, Maple, South Row, Seaver, Emery, Highland, Turner, Pierce, Locke, Meadow. One mile more of roads was graveled and oiled, consisting of Locke and Meadow. One mile of the Shirley Road was graveled ready to to be oiled this year.

Under 90 Construction the rest of Warren Road, consisting 4285 feet, was re-built and oiled. The new air compressor was a great help as there was a lot of ledge in this section of the road to be removed.

The new truck was delivered the first of September. It proved it's usefulness in plowing snow and sanding.

The labor situation was a little better than a year ago with an average of about three men.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN P. POOR.

## Park Commissioners' Report

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Townsend, Mass., February 10, 1947

To the Board of Selectmen

Townsend, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We wish to report that the Common was raked and cleaned up last spring and the rubbish was hauled off. The Common was mowed at different intervals, when needed.

The bandstand was shingled during the past season. New insect-repellent electric light bulbs were installed in the bandstand which was much appreciated by members of the band this past summer.

Other improvements are necessary which we hope to accomplish this coming season, with the approval of the voters, such as repairing the common fence, painting the fence, painting the bandstand, installing a new ceiling in the bandstand and rewiring the bandstand.

We hope to dispose of the standing lumber in Howard Park, which has no value to the park itself, with approval of the townspeople. Proceeds from same to go toward paying for the cutting of brush and the spot planting of trees in the park.

We wish to report that the Department of Conservation, Division of Moth Depression sprayed the elms on the Common last spring at no cost to the town except for materials.

Gilson Park was also cared for during the past season by the park department and it is planned to add to the park department duties the care of the upper common, near Spaulding Memorial School and endeavor to make this spot more attractive.

Respectfully,

W. L. MacMASTER

ARTHUR B. BORNEMAN, Clerk

PEIRCE L. LITHGOW

Park Commissioners

## Report of the Townsend Public Library and the Hart Free Library Building

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To the Board of Selectmen:

The Trustees submit the 53rd annual report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

At the annual Town meeting in March Mrs. Hattie M. Davis was elected to finish the unexpired term of one year made vacant by the death of Mr. R. G. Fessenden.

Mrs. Alice B. Harvey was elected Trustee for three years, filling the vacancy left by Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren who declined further service, having been a Library Trustee for forty-five years.

We wish to express appreciation to the Townsend Woman's Club for the loan of a portrait of "A Danish Girl", also for a subscription to Federation Topics.

For all gifts of books, magazines and papers received throughout the year we wish to extend our sincere thanks.

### Recommendations for the Ensuing Year

#### Salaries:

Librarian	700.00	
Assistant Librarian	20.00	
Janitor	480.00	
Insurance	180.20	
Books	200.00	
Magazines	70.00	
Binding	50.00	
Incidentals	50.00	
		1,750.20

There will be available for carrying out these recommendations the unappropriated refunded Dog licenses of 1946 of \$500.16 leaving a balance for the town to appropriate of \$1,250.04.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL B. WILLARD, Chairman  
HATTIE N. DAVIS, Clerk  
ALICE B. HARVEY

## Librarian's Report

January 1 to December 31, 1946

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To the Trustees of the Townsend Public Library:

I present my second annual report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

### Library Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 2 to 5 p. m.  
and 7 to 9 p. m.

### Magazines on file in the Reading Rooms

American Home	Ladies' Home Journal
American Magazine	Life
Atlantic Monthly	McCalls
Better Homes and Gardens	National Geographic Magazine
Child Life	Natural History
Colliers	Popular Mechanics
Coronet	Reader's Digest
Good Housekeeping	Saturday Evening Post
Harper's Magazine	Time

### Donated

American Girl	Mrs. R. G. Fessenden
Boy's Life	American Legion Aux. Unit 199
Cooperator	F. N. Boutelle
Fortune	Dr. R. S. Ely
Health	Editor
Nation's Business	Dr. R. S. Ely
National Grange Monthly	T. E. Flarity
Our Dumb Animals	Publishers
Outdoor Life	Townsend Rod and Gun Club
Rotarian	Groton Rotary Club
Soviet Russia	Mrs. A. M. Woodruff
Townsend Times	Publisher

The following is a list of books donated to the Library:

	Volumes
Mrs. Helen L. Priest	40
Mrs. Frank J. Baumis	15
Mrs. Richard Green	15
Mrs. Richard Batten	4
Mr. Lyman F. Fletcher	4
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	4
Miss Helen Wood	3
Mrs. Richard A. Sibley	2
Governor Maurice J. Tobin	1
Mrs. N. Harvey Collisson	1
Mr. Anthony J. Perina	1
Pennsylvania R. R.	1
Mr. Herbert Bayard Swope	1
Mr. Kenric L. Horner	1
War Production Board	1
Washington Centennial Association	1
(Mr. Jesse Lillibridge) Stamp Magazines	

Name of Library	Townsend Public Library
Town: Townsend	Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Name of Librarian	Julia H. Altmiller
Name of Assistant Librarian	Alice R. Bagley
Date of founding	1858 as an Agricultural Library

In 1882 made a free Town Library.

Assessed valuation of the Town in 1946	2,233,265.00
Terms of use	Free for reference and reading
Number of days open during the year	208
Number of hours open each week	20

Number of periodicals currently received

30

#### Circulation

For the year	8751
Circulation per borrower	10 plus
Circulation per capita	3 plus
Fiction circulated	6944
Non-fiction circulated	1807
Population served	2323

### Accessions

Volumes in the Library December 31, 1945	15,920
Added by purchase	101
Added by gift	96
	16,117
Withdrawn during the year	14
	16,103

Total number of volumes in the Library  
December 31, 1946

On exhibition in the Library is a portrait of A DANISH  
GIRL that has been loaned by the Townsend Woman's club.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIA H. ALTMILLER

Librarian

## Report of the Tax Collector

### Taxes of 1944

#### Personal:

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946	41.38
Payments to Treasurer	41.38
<b>Real Estate:</b>	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946	886.36
Payments to Treasurer	858.96
Tax Titles	27.40
	886.36

### Taxes of 1945

#### Personal:

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946	1,007.55
Payments to Treasurer	890.70
Uncollected	116.85
	1,007.55

#### Real Estate:

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946	10,128.85
Payments to Treasurer	9,417.60
Tax Titles	45.90
Uncollected	665.35
	10,128.85

#### Excise:

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1946	56.42
Commitments	35.60
	92.02

Payments to Treasurer	87.74
Abatements	4.28
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	92.02
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### Taxes of 1946

#### Polls:

Commitments	1,558.00
Refund	2.00
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	1,560.00

Payments to Treasurer	1,088.00
Service Men Abated	300.00
Old Age Abated	146.00
Paid elsewhere	26.00
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	1,560.00

Poll Tax demands paid Treasurer 22.75.

#### Personal

Commitment	6,801.63
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Payments to Treasurer	5,511.95
Uncollected	1,289.68
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	6,801.63

#### Real Estate:

Commitments	67,160.90
Refund	4.95
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	67,165.85

Payments To Treasurer	56,153.88
Abatements	351.62
Added to Tax Titles	62.87
Uncollected	10,597.48
	67,165.85

**Classified Forest Land:**

Commitment	442.98
Payments to Treasurer	442.98

**Forest Products:**

Commitment	56.15
Payment to Treasurer	56.15

**Excise:**

Commitments	3,065.45
Refund	2.25
	3,067.70

Payments to Treasurer	2,920.28
Abated	10.90
Uncollected	136.52
	3,067.70

**Interest Account**

1944—Paid to Treasurer	54.58
1945—Paid to Treasurer	315.12
1946—Paid to Treasurer	14.71
	384.41

JOHN J. PIPER,  
Collector of Taxes

## Report of the Board of Assessors

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December 31, 1946

Town Appropriations March 4, 1946	136,408.62
Town Appropriations Voted to be taken from available funds in 1946	33,051.49
Total	169,460.11

### State Tax and Assessments:

State Tax	1,950.00
State Parks and Reservations	89.62
	2,039.62

### County Tax and Assessments:

County Tax	3,840.01
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,129.62
Nashoba Association Board of Health	619.50
Underestimates of County Tax 1945	9.22
	5,598.35
Overlay of Current Year	468.90
Gross Amount to be raised	177,566.98

### Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:

Income Taxes	8,058.48
Corporation Taxes	9,186.97
Reimbursement on account of Public Owned Land	605.23
Gasoline Tax	5,068.99
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	2,000.00
Licenses	300.00

Fines	30.00
Special Assessments	470.00
General Government	197.00
Protection of Persons and Property	30.00
Health and Sanitation	700.00
Charities	2,400.00
Old Age Assistance	11,598.78
Old Age Tax (Meals)	896.67
Soldiers Benefits	15.00
Schools	7,424.00
Libraries	85.00
Water Department	12,358.00
Cemeteries	409.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	408.64
 Total Estimated Receipts	 62,271.76

Available Funds:

Overestimates of 1945 State Parks and Reservations	22.24
Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds	33,051.49
Amounts voted for Assessors Use	7,000.00
 Total	 40,073.73

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	102,345.49
Net amount to be raised by Taxation	75,221.49
Less 761 Polls @ 2.00	1,522.00

Net amount to be raised on Property	73,699.49
Value of Personal Property	206,075.00
Value of Real Estate	2,027,190.00
Tax Rate	33.00

Commitments to Collector:

Personal Property	6,800.48
Real Estate	66,897.27
Polls	1,522.00
Forestry Land Tax	422.98
Forest Products Tax	56.15
Excise	3,101.05
December Assessment	263.04

Abatements made in 1946:

Levy 1945	_____
Levy 1946	_____
Real Estate	356.57
Polls	472.00
Excise	10.90

Number of Cows	240
Number of Neat	53
Number of Horses	34
Number of Swine	11
Number of Sheep	42
Number of Foxes	10
Number of Goats	3
Number of Fowl	33,075

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK  
JOSEPH R. ARLIN

Board of Assessors

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**Report of Slaughtering**

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Killed by Albert Funaiole: 103 cows, 38 calves, 72 pigs.

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN A. COOK

# Report of Chief of Police

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Townsend, Mass., Jan. 24, 1947

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Dear Sirs:

I herewith submit my report as Chief of Police for the year of 1946.

Complaints investigated	76
Automobile accidents	32
Fatal automobile accidents	1
Drunks released	15
Drunks in court, convicted	7
Committed to Veterans Hospital	1
Fires covered	27
Arrested for F.B.I.	3
Hit and Run Accidents	1
Tel. calls delivered at night	11
Committed to State Hospital	5
Auto accidents, personal injury	6
Breaking and entering	6
Missing Juveniles located for outside Dept.	5
Missing persons	4
Missing persons located	4
Arrested driving under influence	4
Court cases, auto violations	91
Guilty	86
Not Guilty	5
Investigations made	87
Funerals policed	8
Assisted outside departments	21
Persons taken to infirmary for lodging	3
Summons served for outside departments	15
Persons stranded in town and taken care of	7
Called Medical Examiner	2

Suicide	1
Superior Court	2
Abandoned cars towed to garage	4
Juveniles held and returned to Boston	1
Lost horses recovered	2
Bicycles stolen	2
Stolen bicycles recovered	5
Assault and battery	4
Bicycle accidents	1
Cows killed by automobiles	2
Non-support	1
Stubborn child	1
Hunting accidents	1
Arrested on warrants for outside Dept.	2
Juveniles escaped from Lancaster School and returned	3
Cars robbed	2
Automobile transfers	143

IRA D. CARLETON

Chief of Police

## Water Department

### Water Revenue Account

Uncollected Dec. 31, 1945	805.00
Charges for water	9,339.00
Charges for Hydrants	3,480.00
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	13,624.00
Collected and paid treasurer	9,374.00
Collected and paid for Hydrants	3,480.00
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1946	761.00
Credit to Mattie French (1945)	4.00
Abatement (Gift Shop)	5.00
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	13,624.00
Bond issue due	5,000.00
Interest on bond (1947)	2,502.50
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To be raised by taxation	7,502.50

### Annual Maintenance Account

Appropriation March meeting	5,228.00
From Reserve Fund for Ins.	16.20
From Reserve Fund for Services	600.00
Special Town Meeting	500.00
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	6,344.20
Richard A. Keefe and Assistant	2,130.00
Postage and Express	45.45
Telephone and Office Supplies	61.96
Maintenance Supplies	157.87
Labor	1,073.05
Service Material	643.41
Truck	297.26
Power	1,514.16

Hydrants	17.35
Fuel	143.27
Insurance and Bond	104.63
Legal	21.81
Bridge Material	94.92
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Total payments	6,805.14
Balance returned to surplus	39.06

#### Monthly Consumption of Water

January	4,327,056	July	7,903,500
February	4,094,226	Aug.	4,878,724
March	4,566,008	Sept.	4,226,760
April	4,885,848	Oct.	4,345,126
May	4,545,558	Nov.	4,155,120
June	5,666,724	Dec.	4,283,982
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Total Gal.			57,768,672

Greatest amount pumped in any day: 394,020.

Greatest amount pumped in any week: 2,457,998, July 13-19

Number of Water Services: 512.

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#### WATER ANALYSIS

(Parts per million)

March, 1946

Appearance—Turbidity 0, Sediment none, Color 6.

Ammonia—Free 0, Albuminoid .006.

Nitrogen as—Nitrates .22; Nitrites 0.

Chlorides—1.6 Hardness 13 Alkalinity 9.

pH—6.3 Fe—.05

June, 1946

Appearance—Turbidity 0, Sediment none, Color 2  
Ammonia—Free .002, Albuminoid .014  
Nitrogen as—Nitrates .20; Nitrites 0  
Chlorides—2.0 Hardness 8 Alkalinity 9  
pH—5.7 Fe—.03

August, 1946

Appearance—Turbidity 0, Sediment none, Color 4  
Ammonia—Free .004, Albuminoid .016  
Nitrogen as—Nitrates .35; Nitrites 0  
Chlorides—2.0 Hardness 10 Alkalinity 11  
pH—5.8 Fe—.03

October, 1946

Appearance—Turbidity 0, Sediment none, Color 3  
Ammonia—Free 0, Albuminoid .008  
Nitrogen as—Nitrates .25; Nitrites 0  
Chlorides—2.0 Hardness 8 Alkalinity 9  
pH—5.7 Fe—.03

Samples taken from tap in pumping station.

The bridge at the pumping station was replanked and the brush cut and burned in the well field. During the summer months the wells were much lower than they have been since the water system was built. This of course, was partly due to the number of water customers using so much water for lawns, gardens, etc. We believe the present wells and pumping equipment is more than sufficient for the average use of water, but is about at its peak when watering gardens and lawns.

During the season we added thirty-nine more services and this will also tax the system if we have a dry summer. However, if all users try to use the water with reason, we can continue with the present setup. If the system continues to grow it will be necessary to increase the amount of wells and pumping facilities. The pumps run about

twenty-four hours a day during part of June and all of the month of July. The amount of water in the standpipe was lowered by approximately one foot each day.

The year 1947 is the year we planned to have the standpipe painted again, as the last time it was painted was in the year 1940. There will be an article in the warrant for this purpose. The pumps, pipes, and pump room were painted during the winter and are in very good condition.

We are indeed sorry for the passing away of our late Chairman, Arthur P. Bliss, as he was a very good man to work with, and his judgement will be surely missed by all.

RICHARD A. KEEFE,  
Superintendent and Collector

IRA D. CARLETON

HENRY S. BAILEY, Sec.

Water Commissioners.

## Report of the Rehabilitation and Service Committee

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To the Board of Selectmen  
Townsend, Massachusetts  
Gentlemen:

The Rehabilitation and Service Committee has met on numerous occasions during the past year, whenever the efforts of the group were required to assist a veteran in need of advice and counsel.

A number of claims for service connected disability have been satisfactorily adjudicated; many requests for hospitalization and medical care have been received and fulfilled; and advice on matters of housing, employment and schooling has been granted.

Your committee feels that there is a definite need for further action along these lines in an expanded and more business-like manner so that the veteran who has returned or who will return from the service may feel gratified with the facilities which the Town of Townsend is attempting to place within his reach.

Furthermore, it becomes apparent that such a service with complete and accurate records on each of our veteran residents may, in the near future, prove of inestimable value to the Town of Townsend in its required handling of veteran cases and services.

WILLARD A. GREER, Chairman  
ETHEL L. AMIRO  
JOAN M. BENNETT  
CARL B. WILLARD  
ALVIN EATON

DONALD E. DOMINA,  
Clerk.

## Report of the Fire Engineers

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To the Board of Selectmen

Town of Townsend

The firemen request that the salary be increased from \$20 to \$25 per year and that the hourly rate while at fires be increased from 75c to \$1.00 per hour. The Chief requests that his salary be increased from \$100 to \$125.

We believe that the requests of the Chief and the Firemen should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS KLEINBERG

HERBERT HOTALING

IRA H. LUND

Board of Fire Engineers

# Report of Nashoba Associated Boards of Health

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January 9, 1947

Board of Health

Townsend, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, Agents for the Board of Health of Townsend, herewith transmits the annual report covering the activities for the year 1946.

Well-child Clinics, Immunization and Preschool Clinics are being conducted by local physicians under our direction. X-ray clinics for tuberculosis contacts are held bi-monthly in the Nashoba Health building. Milk and water inspection, investigation of sanitary condition of food establishments, the investigation of nuisances, the laboratory testing of water and milk were the direct responsibility of the Nashoba Health Unit.

The communicable diseases and numbers of each reported for the year 1946 are listed below:

Measles	4	Scarlet Fever	2
Mumps	11	Whooping Cough	2

The regular diphtheria immunization clinic was held during the spring of the year when a total of 27 children received the complete immunization. The preschool summer round-up was held during the month of June when a total of 27 children were vaccinated against smallpox and 25 children were given physical examinations. The tuberculosis clinics were held bi-monthly when patients were X-rayed and given physical examinations.

Well-child conferences were held monthly when a total of 58 children were given physical examinations. This number included infants and preschool children combined.

Samples of milk were obtained from each milk dealer and tested in our laboratory for proper bacteria and butterfat content.

Water samples were collected and tested in our laboratory to determine their fitness for human consumption.

There were two nuisance complaints of overflowing cesspools which were investigated and the conditions were corrected.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. SMITH, Director

Nashoba Associated Bds. Health

**Listed Below Is A Table of Work Accomplished  
By the Sanitary Inspector During Year 1946**

**TOWNSEND**

Milk licenses issued	13
Milk samples taken	38
Water samples tested	3
Camp licenses issued	2



# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

**OF THE**

## **SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

**OF THE**

**TOWN of TOWNSEND**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1946**



## Organization of the School Department

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1946—1947

### Committee

Mrs. Ellen Whitcomb, Chairman	Term expires 1949
Mrs. Ruth Marshall, Secretary	Term expires 1949
Mr. Harold Adams	Term expires 1948
Mr. Earle S. Bagley	Term expires 1948
Mrs. Marjorie Baumis	Term expires 1947
Mr. Edwin B. Larson	Term expires 1947

Superintendent—Charles M. Robinson

Supervisor of Art: Miss Sara R. Gelardi, Jamaica Plain  
Supervisor of Music: Miss Harriett R. Berube, Lowell  
Supervisor of Attendance: Ira D. Carleton, Townsend, Mass.  
School Physician: Dr. R. S. Ely, West Townsend, Mass.  
School Nurse: Mrs. Ethel Amiro, Townsend, Mass.  
Janitors: Mr. Franklin E. Morrison, Townsend, Mass.  
Mr. Alvin C. Eaton\*, West Townsend, Mass.  
Mr. Warren P. Truell, Townsend, Mass.

\* Resigned January 10, 1947.

### School Calendar for 1946-1947

Fall term began Sept. 4, 1946	Closes Dec. 19, 1946
Mid-Winter term began Dec. 30, 1946	Closes Feb. 21, 1947
Winter term begins March 3, 1947	Closes April 18, 1947
Spring term begins April 28, 1947	Closes June 20, 1947*

Graduation date—June 13, 1947

Fall term begins September 3, 1947 Closes Dec. 23, 1947  
\*Approximate

Storm signal: Three blasts of the whistle at 7:15 a. m.  
Broadcast over WEIM from 7:05 to 7:30 a. m.

## Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the School Committee  
Townsend, Massachusetts

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my sixth annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

### TEACHERS

I need not remind you that the past year has been one of much unrest among teachers, the same as in many other walks of life. In spite of the prevalent idea that our teachers are leaving because of alleged low salaries, not one single resignation this past year could be attributed to this factor.

Five of the staff left to accept positions in or near their home towns, whereas marital conditions was the cause of the other resignations. It was most unfortunate that we lost many of our elementary teachers. Mrs. Helen E. Jacobs replaced Miss Lauretta Dube in Grade 1, and Mrs. Hazel Sage was engaged as the extra third grade teacher in place of Mrs. Mary J. D'Ambrosio. Mrs. Ellen Vandelly resigned the fourth grade position, which was filled by the election of Mrs. Laila J. Aho. The fifth and sixth grades were taken by Mrs. Margaret Lawrence and Mrs. Edith Williamson respectively to replace Mrs. Mary Davenport and Miss Marilyn MacLean.

In the Junior-Senior High School only two vacancies occurred. Miss Mary Noonan was elected as Commercial teacher, while Miss Barbara Ward replaced Helen Hodziewich as Household Arts teacher.

Miss Sara Gelardi was chosen for Art and Special Help and Miss H. Ruth Berube as part-time Music Supervisor in place of Miss Tyrrell.

Because of the large enrollment in the lower grades, particularly in Grade 1 with a membership of 44 pupils, Mrs. Sirkka Waris Shinner was engaged early in December as special-help teacher in these grades.

### THE CRITICAL TEACHING SITUATION

In the United States News for December 27, 1946 is an interesting and enlightening article entitled: "CRISIS IN UNITED STATES SCHOOL SYSTEM: LOSS OF COMPETENT TEACHERS." The two sub-titles read: "Revolt Against Low Pay, When Bus Drivers, Bartenders Earn More", and "Suggested laws for raising educational standards and setting minimum salaries."

May I quote some of the significant statements from the article:

"American public schools are in a period of real crisis. Teachers, after years of low pay and poor equipment with which to work, . . . are quitting the profession by the thousands for better-paying jobs. And only a thin trickle of replacements is in sight. Young men and women are refusing to study to be teachers. They want better-paying, if less cultured, jobs.

"Classes are being jammed together. Old teaching staffs are being spread more thinly. No replacements at all have been found for 60,000 of the disappearing teachers. In some areas, . . . the extra work is being laid upon remaining teachers.

"This is happening at a time when the first batch of war babies is on the threshold of the nation's educational system. All across the nation, the lower grades of elementary schools are being crammed this year with youngsters who must be taught to work and live in an atomic age.

"The economic level of the teachers sets them at the thin edge of genteel poverty. Their pay, fixed by law, long ago was outstripped by rises in the cost of living. The full-

time earnings of the industrial employee have risen 79 per cent since 1939; but the teachers' salaries have gone up only 31 per cent.

"In such a situation, teachers are turning to all sorts of part-time jobs to earn a living. Many of them are finding that other jobs, much less exacting as to educational requirements, pay much higher salaries. All through the war years, they have been moving into better-paying jobs. Of 900,000 teachers, 350,000 have quit since 1939. The exodus is continuing. For those who have not quit, the spare time that used to go into advanced studies now is often going into outside work.

"The teachers are finding that pay is higher outside the schoolroom than inside. The starting pay for bus and truck drivers, garment workers, bartenders and telephone operators in most cities is as good or better than the starting pay for teachers."

A very clear comparison is here shown between the poor pay of the teachers and the much higher amounts received by bus drivers and telephone operators.

"That is the reason for the vanishing teacher. It explains why a third of the teachers left the schoolrooms and went into industry during the last seven years. Through the war years, there was a hope that they would return. To fill their places, 109,000 persons without teaching qualifications were given emergency certificates and set to teaching.

"But the disappearing teachers did not come back. At the opening of this year's school season, Colorado had 7,500 teachers for 9,000 jobs; Maine had 350 vacancies," etc.

"Present efforts at a remedy are being directed at getting minimum pay laws for all the States and at obtaining federal aid for education. Minimum-pay laws would put a floor under which no local school district would be

allowed to go in paying teachers. This floor would be somewhere close to the State average. In nine States, the goal is for a \$2400 minimum salary . . .

“Federal aid is being sought to raise educational and pay standards in the poorer States of the country . . .

“Even these are only partial remedies, however. They will not lure back the teachers who have quit or cause additional capable young men and women to train for teaching. Only a third as many new teachers finished training in 1946 as in 1941. The profession has lost its appeal. Experienced educators say that, if the present is a period of school crisis, the future will be worse.”

Some citizens have inferred that the many changes in the teaching staff has been an entirely local problem, but the above quotation refutes this idea.

Although I firmly believe the town should pay adequate salaries to attract and retain good teachers, I contend there will always be a much greater turn-over in smaller towns than in the cities. The problems of boarding places, lack of outside relaxation, and difficult travel conditions to and from home over week-ends,—these are some of the causes for teachers changing to other positions. In the past few years, however, the marriage situation has been the greatest factor among teacher resignations.

May I state emphatically that if the parents will make every effort to become personally acquainted with the teachers, refrain from petty-criticisms of them, and refuse to accept the one-sided stories purposely or unconsciously colored by the pupils, I am sure a much higher school morale will eventually evolve in this town.

### Repairs

Several major repairs were either concluded or started during the past summer. May I simply list some of them for the purpose of having an accurate record:

Skylights over both gymnasium and study hall; cement base of auditorium skylight waterproofed; Missing slate shingles replaced; Plaster patched in auditorium ceiling; Gymnasium floor refinished; Outside basement window casings caulked and painted; All basement windows and screens painted and repaired; Railing and ornaments around cupola painted; Two coats of paint on all corridor walls on first floor; Some electrical outlets repaired and others installed in the Shop; All switches in building repaired or replaced; Several electrical motors repaired; Drip walk on north side of building completed for proper drainage; Minor plumbing repairs on faucets, valves and ventilating system.

Every spring for several years the small auxiliary cess-pools to the septic tank have overflowed to the surface of the ground, causing not only an inconvenience to property owners on the Turnpike Road side of the school, but also was definitely a health menace. As a temporary relief last spring, a ditch was dug down the hill to drain the surplus water down into the hollow.

During the summer and fall, however, definite plans were started toward a permanent removal of the above stated annual nuisance. As the septic tank itself had never been pumped out since its installation fourteen years ago, this was the first major task undertaken. With no definite marking to show just where this tank was buried, it took considerable time and expense in finally locating it under ten to twelve feet of dirt and ashes. Only one small opening had been left in the top of the tank, and for proper cleaning it was necessary to make two additional ones. All of these are to be built up to near the ground level in order that the septic tank may easily be cleaned out at all future times. This should be done at rather frequent intervals because of the excessive amount of water and waste emptying into it from the school.

Plans were also made for the building of a large covered overflow cess pool toward the bottom of the hill to properly care for all excess water from the septic tank. Sufficient funds are required in the repair item of the appropriation to finance these projects.

The major repair work needed to be done as soon as possible is the replacement of all cracked and damaged tile flooring throughout the entire building. If materials are available, this project is planned for the coming year.

The stage curtains which have been in use since the opening of the building should be cleaned and repaired within the near future.

### Building Operation

May I repeat again my exact words of a year ago regarding the use of the gymnasium by other than school groups:

"There has been a decided increase in the number of requests for the use of the school building during the past year by organizations and groups outside the school. In addition to the occasional use of the auditorium by the Woman's Club and the Firemen, it is being used regularly by the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and the Town basketball team. Such occupation needs no convincing proof as to the added maintenance costs of lights, heat, cleaning materials, wax for floors and even paint for the walls. Other smaller items, such as light bulbs, hand soap powder, paper towels and mops, need more frequent replacements with any additional usage.

"The citizens should realize that all costs for this maintenance must be met out of the regular school appropriation, and the budget consequently must be increased sufficiently to take care of such expenditures. Even when an organization does occasionally pay a nominal fee for the use of the hall, this sum goes directly into the Town

treasury and not the School Department to help defray any cost.

"May I urge the voters of the town to decide if they wish to continue the practice of allowing outside organizations to use the school building and if so, to provide sufficient funds in the school appropriation to properly maintain the building."

### **Gift To School**

It is with great pleasure that I announce a gift to the school of a set of large stage draperies, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donahue. These will be of great usefulness in all school dramatic productions.

### **Scholastic Report**

The reading program inaugurated in the grades a year ago has not only been continued but also improved and enlarged. One of the greatest aids in furthering this program has been the addition to the faculty of Mrs. Sirkka Waris Shinner as special reading teacher and supervisor. Lack of sufficient teaching personnel, together with the large enrollment in the Junior High School grades, has prevented us from enlarging the reading program on this level as we had hoped to do.

An attempt has been made this Fall to intensify the school work of the Senior High School students, especially those in the so-called college preparatory courses.

I am advised, however, that the teachers have experienced great difficulty in getting the proper amount of home-work completed by the students. There is evidence of considerable antipathy on the part of too many parents toward this home study. May I emphasize that if the high school standards are to be maintained, either the parents must cooperate fully in seeing that their sons and daughters regularly complete all prescribed home-work, or the school

day must be lengthened sufficiently to allow time for such preparation under teacher supervision.

For further details concerning academic achievements, may I call your attention to the accompanying reports of Principal J. Verne Quimby.

### School Buses

Because of new families moving into outlying sections of the town, it was necessary to extend two school bus routes in the Fall. Also the increase in the number of pupils coming from West Townsend necessitated an additional trip from that section. These extensions increased the cost of transportation to the sum of \$42.75 per school day.

Although the State law does not require transportation of school pupils unless they live at least two miles from the school, the town has established a distance of one and one-half miles as its minimum. Several demands by families living within this distance have been made to the school committee for bus service for their children. In fairness to all, such requests have been refused, in spite of the realization by all of us of the danger involved when small children must walk along main highways, especially during the winter.

As new bus contracts are due to be made this year, may I recommend a complete survey of town as to present and immediate future needs as to school transportation, to the end that all sections may be covered efficiently at a minimum cost.

### Finances

Every individual is fully cognizant of the difficulty experienced during the past year of attempting to live within a prescribed budget. Your superintendent was no exception with the school budget drawn up a year ago.

The cost of almost every item used in the schools increased considerably during the last half of the year 1946.

In order not to exceed the appropriation many things had to be curtailed or postponed. A few weeks ago we were notified of an advance in the prices of books and supplies, in some cases the cost of paper increasing to over 100%.

The increased enrollment in the grades necessitates the purchase of more text-books each year. Many replacements, postponed during the war years, are urgently needed now. If the school is to properly educate its pupils, sufficient funds must be provided by the town.

Although the school department managed to keep within its budget and have a balance of 47 cents, it was no easy task. A much larger appropriation is being asked for 1947. The greatest part of this increase is for advancing salaries of the school personnel; nevertheless the voters must realize that rising prices and increased enrollment necessitate higher amounts throughout the budget.

The total cost per pupil for the fiscal year of 1946 was \$106.30 as compared with the state average for the school year 1945-46 of \$134.95. By deducting the town receipts accredited to schools, the net expenditure per pupil from local taxation was only \$77.83.

### CONCLUSION

May I thank the School Committee for its support, advice and cooperation during the past year. To the many parents and friends of the school, I express my appreciation of the suggestions and support so graciously offered.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. ROBINSON

Superintendent

## Report of the Principal

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Mr. C. M. Robinson  
Superintendent of Schools  
Townsend, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as Principal of Spaulding Memorial School.

The enrollment as of October 1, 1946 was as follows:

Elementary	Boys	Girls	Total
Grade One	25	18	43
Grade Two	19	18	37
Grade Three	32	25	57
Grade Four	20	17	37
Grade Five	17	20	37
Grade Six	23	17	40
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Total	136	115	251
Junior-Senior High School	Boys	Girls	Total
Grade Seven	20	19	39
Grade Eight	19	27	46
Grade Nine	21	13	34
Grade Ten	12	23	35
Grade Eleven	15	11	26
Grade Twelve	6	23	29
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Total	93	116	209

The total for the entire school was 460. The distribution favors the girls, 231 to 229, representing a slight decrease in girls and an increase in boys.

Townsend High School is rated as a Grade A high school by the State Department of Education. Townsend

High school is on the approved list of New England Secondary Schools and Colleges. This approval signifies that certification of a pupil by the Principal will be honored by all New England Secondary School and Colleges. It is expected that this practice will be discontinued and all high schools will deal with the colleges on an individual basis. The certifying grade, or achievement necessary to receive the principal's recommendation to college, for Townsend High School is B, or better, in all subjects.

The members of the Class of 1946 are engaged as follows: five boys are in the United States Army—three of these boys plan to enter college as soon as they receive their discharge from the Army; two boys and three girls are in college, nursing school, or other post-secondary school activity; four boys and ten girls are working; and two girls are married. Nineteen of the twenty-eight members of the Class of 1947 plan on college or other specialized training careers.

The per cent of attendance for the year by grades was:

Grade 1	90.05%	Grade 7	94.46%
Grade 2	91.56%	Grade 8	92.28%
Grade 3	95.20%	Grade 9	92.76%
Grade 4	93.83%	Grade 10	92.55%
Grade 5	91.78%	Grade 11	90.12%
Grade 6	95.94%	Grade 12	95.45%

To help achieve as perfect attendance as possible, two attendance pennants have been provided, one for competition among the first six grades and the other among the junior-senior high school grades.

The average per cent of attendance for the entire school was 93.00%. The following pupils had a perfect attendance record for the entire school year, being neither tardy nor absent: Joyce Tucker, Grade 1; Richard Jarvi, Grade 2; Donald Beers and Richard Talcott, Grade 3; Walter Bernhardt, Robert Chace, Norman Paradise, Barbara

Gonsalves, and Elsie Hill, Grade 4; Evelyn Koivu, Grade 5; David Dik, Earl Hamel, and John Mattila, Grade 6; Joan Wyeth, Grade 7; Richard Koivu, Grade 8; Patricia Keefe, Walter Mattila, and Mae Wyeth, Grade 9; Dorothy Leaman, Grade 10; Ruth Cutting, Florence Going, and Caroline Willard, Grade 11; Barbara Keefe, June Sundstrom, and Max Gile, Grade 12.

Graduation awards were distributed as follows: the Becker Junior College Scholastic Key in recognition of outstanding attainment in the commercial department—Miss June Germaine Sundstrom; the Reader's Digest award—a complimentary one-year subscription to the Reader's Digest to the highest ranking member of the graduation class—John Morris Coffey; the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Certificate awarded to the girl selected as the Good Citizen of the school for the current year through her demonstration of the qualities of dependability, leadership, service, and patriotism—Miss June Germaine Sundstrom; the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Washington and Franklin Medal for excellence in the study of United States History—John Morris Coffey; and the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award Medal for achieving the highest scholastic record in science courses during high school—John Morris Coffey.

The Scholastic Honor Roll requiring all A's and B's in any combination to qualify was: (numbers after names signify the year in high school during which this achievement was made) Class of 1946—Alma Jarvi 4, 2, 1, Mary Jane Plett 1, Hubert Bragg 1, John Coffey 2, Robert Dik 3, 2, 1, Doris Hamel 3, 1, Beverly Welch 4, Eva Kleinberg 3, Barbara Keefe 2, Edith Hale 2, 1, Barbara Hall 2, 1, William Martin 4, 1, Viola Mattila 1, Frank Perina 4, Harriett Poor 3, 1, Virginia Severance 1, Maurice Salminen 2, and Lewis Schulze 4, 3; Class of 1947—Marjorie Powell, Gertrude Maki, Douglas Larson, Barbara Frank, and Ethel Fleck;

Class of 1948—Beverly Sherwin, Betty Ross, Paul Laitenen, Phyllis Josselyn, Robert Grimes, Margaret Bell, Barbara Coombs, and Charles Beers; Class of 1949—Florence Ball, Ruth Burns, Joyce Laventure, Lillian Koivula, Arvo Maki, Walter Mattila, Dorothy Wainio, Bernell Raye, Priscilla Partington, Ellen Mattson, and Nancy Wornham; Class of 1950—Patricia Bernhardt, Charles Goodwin, Priscilla King, Richard Koivu, Nancy Leaman, and Jean Marquis; Class of 1951—Marion Willard, Nancy Wiljanen, Pauline Rafuse, Joan LaPointe, Bertha Grimes, Joanne Dolphin, Francis Burns, Barbara Chapman and Joan Colby.

The Scholastic High Honor Roll requiring all A's with only one B allowed to qualify was: (numbers after names signify the year in high school during which this achievement was made). Class of 1946—Mary Jane Plett 4, 3, 2, John Coffey 4, 3, 1, Robert Dik 4, Doris Hamel 4, 2, Barbara Keefe 3, Edith Hale 4, Viola Mattila 4, 3, 2, Frank Perina 3, 2, 1, Harriett Poor 4, 2, Virginia Severance 4, 3, 2, and June Sundstrom 4, 3, 2; Class of 1947—Helen Wiik, Caroline Willard, Polly Rutherford, Carma Miller, Dorothy MacKeil, Celia Koivula, and Camille Christian; Class of 1948—Betty Snow, Barbara Schulze, and Dorothy Leaman; Class of 1949—Carolina Burns, Patricia Keefe, Nancy Jarvis, Lyman Farrar, Nancy Snow, and Grace Shepherd; Class of 1950—Doris Arsenault, Betsy Kalinen, Peter Sullivan, Martha Wilson, and Helen Wornham; Class of 1951—Kenneth Wilson, Priscilla Keefe, Martha Farrar, and Bernice Ball.

The Senior Class made a trip to Washington and New York City during April vacation. The Class Gift was a contribution of money to the Bleacher Fund to help defray the expense of the installation of bleachers in the gymnasium.

The Athletic Association is sponsoring the purchase and installation of three sections of Fold-A-Way bleachers improving the condition of the baseball diamond, and the school groups and friends of the school for support of this

project is greatly appreciated. Other projects of this organization were assistance given the American Legion in improving the condition of the baseball diamond, and the purchase of new baseball uniforms. Athletically, the school enjoyed very successful seasons in basketball and baseball and the Tenth Annual Townsend Basketball Tournament was held in our gymnasium with eighteen teams entered, nine in each division. The division arrangement was highly approved by coaches and principals. Milford, New Hampshire, High School won the "A" Championship and Ashby High School won the "B" Championship. The boys' basketball team won the championship of the Wachusett League and the baseball team finished in second place in the same league. The girls' basketball team finished second in the Wachusett League. Intra-mural sports included activity in tennis, softball, and track.

Extra curricular activity included athletics, club organization, - dramatics, senior yearbook, assemblies, and a magazine campaign. The movie-assembly program was supported entirely by proceeds from the magazine campaign. We continued to cooperate with the North Central Principals Group in arranging for outside talent assembly programs. The Christmas and Memorial Day programs were in charge of the music department. Active group organizations in the school included the Student Council, the Athletic Association, 4-H Club, Girls' Chorus, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts.

Guidance and teaching practices have been in keeping with the re-adjustment procedures of the times. We have endeavored to cooperate fully with the Federal and State Departments of Education, the Armed Services, parents, pupils, and employers. The State Department of Education has proposed new regulations for the approval or classification of high schools. These regulations are based on personnel qualifications, program, building and equipment, and would replace the regulations by which high schools

have been classified since 1915. Our "rotating" schedule is one of fifty-six such programs in Massachusetts and it is very satisfactory from the view point of teachers and pupils. The resulting longer periods and the spread of courses over the most as well as the least desirable periods are especially advantageous.

Some returning veterans enrolled in regional schools for refresher courses before entering college or to earn diploma credits. As soon as those in the latter group have satisfactorily completed their work, they will be so credited and recommended for a diploma. We are continuing to encourage seniors who contemplate careers in post-secondary education to apply for admission at the earliest possible time as colleges and universities are generally over crowded in their attempt to meet the demands of heavy application for enrollment.

The Honor Roll of the graduates who answered the call to the colors, presented by the Class of 1943, is being kept up to date by the Student Council and at present includes the names of 116 boys and 7 girls.

The Townsend Teachers' Association has one hundred per cent teacher membership. It plans to sponsor at least one money raising activity each year, the proceeds of which will be used for graduation awards, scholarships, or some other approved educational feature. There is a Massachusetts Hospital and Medical group of Blue Cross and Blue Shield in our school with practically all teachers enrolled in one or both of these services.

Two boys who are members of the Class of 1946 earned academic scholarships by competitive examination to Massachusetts colleges. One girl member of the Class of 1947 and one of the Class of 1949 have been honored as the poems they submitted to the National High School Poetry Association have been accepted for publication in the Annual Anthology of High School Poetry.

The cafeteria operated on a self-supporting basis, but received a percentage of its expenditures spent for approved foods and whole milk from government aid. Requisitions for greatly needed equipment for the cafeteria were placed with the proper state departments. The increased number of matrons made it possible to decrease the number of student workers and has resulted in more efficient service to over four hundred pupils daily. We plan to take advantage of surplus commodity offerings whenever they are available.

Due to the large enrollment we are over crowded in many rooms and as we do not have sufficient class room space, it has been necessary to have some classes meet in the cafeteria dining room, the library, science laboratory, playroom, and outer shop. The lack of classroom space has also prevented the division of some groups which are too large to yield most efficient achievement. It is my opinion that some very definite action should be taken at once to alleviate this over crowded condition. The anticipated enrollment of the incoming grades in the immediate future warrants such action.

In conclusion, I wish to commend the teachers for their efficient and diligent service and express my sincere appreciation to the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools, teachers, pupils, parents, and friends of the school for their loyal support and friendly cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

J.VERNE QUIMBY,  
Principal

## Report of the School Nurse

Mr. Charles M. Robinson  
Superintendent of Schools  
Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report as School Nurse for the year 1946.

Measles	7
Scarlet Fever	1
Mumps	29
Tonsillectomies	22
Health Inspections and First Aid	6,214
Home Visits	484
Chest X-Rays, Students	52
Chest X-Rays, Personnel	19
Visits by and to doctors	208
Weighed, measured, eyes checked	445
Defective in Vision	16
Glasses to be changed	9
Corrected to date	14
Hearing tested with audiometer	369
Number given 2nd hearing test	53
Number given 3rd hearing test	16
Number who have failed 3 tests	5
Number examined by doctors	5
Examined by Dr. R. S. Ely	460
Orthopedic Clinic Visits	3

One hundred thirty throats were checked, during the annual examination. This seemed such a large number that the doctors were asked to examine their patients. 94 were checked thoroughly by them. Some children needed immediate tonsillectomies, others are to be done in the spring, and the rest will be checked again before school closes.

The annual examination showed that more children had received good dental care than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,  
ETHEL L. AMIRO, R. N. School Nurse

## GRADUATION EXERCISES

Class of 1946

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TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Spaulding Memorial School Auditorium

Friday Evening, June 14, 1946

At Eight o'clock

### Class Motto

"We Shall Be What We Make Ourselves"

### Class Colors

American Beauty and White

### Class Flower

American Beauty Rose

### Class Roll

William John Martin, President  
Robert Edward Dik, Vice-President  
June Germaine Sundstrom, Secretary  
Mary Jane Plett, Treasurer  
John Patrick Barrett  
Hubert Stephan Bragg  
John Morris Coffey  
Marion Louis Cutting  
Betty Estes  
Max Allan Gile  
Edith Ella Hale  
Barbara Lila Hall  
Doris Eleanor Hamel

Alma Leona Jarvi  
\*Willard Louis Johnson  
Barbara Anne Keefe  
Eva Louise Kleinberg  
Viola Mattila  
Frank William Perina  
Harriet Elizabeth Poor  
Peter Joseph Racine  
Maurice Emil Salminen  
Edward Lewis Schulze  
Virginia Pearl Severance  
Beverly June Welch  
Shirley May Whaley

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\*Enlisted in the Armed Forces

#### **Honor Group**

John Morris Coffey  
June Germaine Sundstrom  
Mary Jane Plett  
Harriet Elizabeth Poor  
Viola Mattila  
Frank William Perina  
Doris Eleanor Hamel  
Virginia Pearl Severance  
Robert Edward Dik

#### **Program**

Processional	
“Festival March”	Mendelssohn
School Orchestra	
Invocation	Rev. M. Harry Butler
“I Will”	Moore
“America, Forever Free”	Gibb
Girls’ Glee Club	

Address of Welcome	June G. Sundstrom
Class History	Harriet E. Poor
“Good-Bye, Old High”	Moore
	Class of 1946
Class Essay, “For Lasting Peace”	Frank W. Perina
Presentation Class Gift	William J. Martin
Class Prophecy	Viola Mattila
“The Lord’s Prayer”	Malotte
	Girls’ Glee Club
Class Essay, “Education, the Foundation of Democracy”	Robert E. Dik
Class Will	Mary J. Plett
Farewell Address	John M. Coffey
Announcement of Awards	J. Verne Quimby Principal
Presentation of Class for Diplomas	Charles M. Robinson Superintendent
Presentation of Diplomas	Mrs. Ellen M. Whitcomb
Class Ode	Doris E. Hamel and Virginia P. Severance
	Class of 1946

## School Committee

Mrs. Ellen M. Whitcomb, Chairman

Mrs. Ruth M. Marshall, Secretary

Earle S. Bagley	Mrs. Marjorie J. Baumis
Harold C. Adams	Edwin B. Larson

Superintendent of Schools  
Charles M. Robinson

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Faculty

J. Verne Quimby, Principal	Pearl A. Russell
Irene R. Boucher	Donald E. Domina
Winslow R. Fletcher	Louise Archambault
Virginia J. Freeman	Helen T. Hodziewich
Laurence A. MacGillivray	Kathleen V. Tyrrell

Class Ode

Words by Doris E. Hamel and Virginia P. Severance  
To the tune of "The Bells of St. Mary's"

We shall be what we make ourselves, that is our cry,  
As we proudly leave good old Townsend High,  
We've worked toward achievements and strived toward  
this day  
With sorrow we leave you with this to say.

Chorus:

Farewell, dear old school days, tonight we must part,  
Fond memories shall ever be dear to each heart.  
We cannot imagine what our future holds,  
But we will march on, march on, as our life unfolds.

We shall work for the things that victory has brought  
With thanks to the teachers for all they have taught,  
With peace once again, our future looks bright,  
We'll try our best to do what is right.

Tonight we are leaving, our twelve years are through,  
We'll never forget the hours spent with you.  
Though paths may be dreary, our heads we'll hold high  
Now to our dear school, we must say goodbye.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1946  
AND  
SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1947**

	Spent 1946	Budget 1947
Supt., Clerk and Expenses	1,943.82	2,400.00
Teachers and Supervisors	26,233.94	36,000.00
Janitors	2,980.00	3,500.00
Books and Supplies	2,020.86	2,200.00
Fuel	1,198.01	1,400.00
Misc. Operating	2,012.43	2,100.00
Repairs and Painting	2,029.10	2,200.00
Health	800.00	800.00
Transportation	7,746.50	8,500.00
New Equipment	150.03	600.00
Insurance	545.46	500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	283.16	400.00
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	47,943.31*	60,600.00
Balance	.47	
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	47,943.78*	

\*Includes transfer of \$143.78 from Reserve Fund.

**1946 Receipts Accredited to Schools**

Massachusetts School Fund, Part I	3,436.00
Massachusetts School Fund, Part II	5,692.45
Superintendent's Salary and Expense	773.33
Tuition—State Wards	998.78
Tuition—Mason Pupils	1,105.40
Household Arts Salary and Expense	830.36
Miscellaneous	5.55
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	12,841.87

### Statistics for Year Ending June, 1946

	Jun.	Sen.	
	Elem.	High	High Total
Number of Pupils enrolled	249	123	89 461
Average daily attendance	230	109	80 419
Average membership	248	117	86 451
Teachers	8	4	5 17

Cost per pupil—From State Figures for 1945-46

	State Ave.	
	Townsend	Small Towns
Elementary School	76.32	91.61
Junior-Senior High School	112.17	175.55
Average in all schools	96.60	134.95

### Statistics for Year Ending December 31, 1946

Population of town, census of 1945	2298
State valuation of town, 1945	\$2,703,772.00
Valuation of town, per capita	1,177.00
Valuation per pupil in average membership	4,915.00
Expenditures for schools from all sources	47,943.31
Per pupil in average membership	106.30
Receipts accredited to school department	12,841.87
Net expenditures for schools from local taxation	35,101.44
Per pupil in average membership	77.83

### School Census, October 1, 1946

1. Registration of Minors	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons 5-7 years of age	38	31	69
Persons 7-16 years of age	186	190	376
<hr/> Totals	<hr/> 224	<hr/> 221	<hr/> 445
2. Distribution of Minors	5-7	7-16	Total
In Townsend Public Schools	46	371	417
In Public Schools Elsewhere	0	0	0
Not enrolled in any school	23	5	28
<hr/> Totals	<hr/> 69	<hr/> 376	<hr/> 445

Grades	Boys	Girls	Total
I	26	18	44
II	18	19	37
III	16	13	29
III-A	16	11	27
IV	21	18	39
V	18	20	38
VI	23	16	39
VII	21	21	42
VIII	19	27	46
IX	20	13	33
X	13	20	33
XI	16	10	26
XII	5	23	28
	232	229	461

### Report of the School Physician

Mr. Charles M. Robinson  
 Superintendent of Schools  
 Townsend, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report as School Physician for 1946.

At the regular fall examination I found the following cases.

Number of pupils examined	460
Number needing dental care	69
Tonsils needing attention	70
Both teeth and tonsils needing attention	60
Number showing good dental care	229
Number having had tonsillectomies done	175

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. ELY, M. D.  
 School Physician

**TEACHERS IN TOWNSEND FOR THE YEAR 1946 - 1947**

Name of Teacher	Subject or Grade	Training	Yrs. Exp.	Salary
J. Verne Quimby	Prin., Physics, Phys. Ed.	Boston Univ., 1938	15	3000
Pearl A. Russell	Math and History	Tufts College, 1931	14	1950
Louise Archambault	English, Latin, Spanish	Radcliffe, 1945	1	1700
Mary M. Noonan	Commercial Subjects	Salem STC, 1946	0	1700
Donald E. Domina	English	Fitchburg STC, 1935	10	2200
Irene R. Boucher	Biology, JH Sci., Math.	Fitchburg STC, 1944	2	1800
Winslow R. Fletcher	W. Geog., J.H. Eng., Geog.	Fitchburg STC, 1944	2	1750
Barbara Ward	Home Ec., Dom. Sci., W. Hist.	Firmg'ham STC, 1946	0	1700
Lawrence A. MacGillivray	Man. Train. & Mech. Draw.	Wentworth Inst., 1928	2	1900
Sara R. Gelard	Art & Special Help Tchr.	Framham STC, 1946	0	1750
Edith Williamson	Grade VI	Fitchburg STC, 1943	2	1650
Margaret A. Lawrence	Grade V	Plymouth STC, 1933	2	1650
Laila J. Aho	Grade IV	Plymouth STC, 1933	10	1650
Ruth E. Brooks	Grade III	Fitchburg STC, 1925	21	1800
Hazel E. Sage	Grade III-A	Fitchburg STC, 1930	10	1650
Ora W. Smith	Grade II	Fitchburg STC, 1919	25 1/2	1800
Helen E. Jacobs	Grade I	Oneonta STC, 1938	7	1650
Harriett R. Berube	Music	Lowell STC, 1945	1	880 2 dys. per wk.
Sirkka W. Shinner	Remedial Work, Grs. 1-5	Fitchburg STC, 1941	2	1650 Began 12/2/46

## List of Jurors - 1947

Name	Occupation	Address
Aspinwall, Lester E.	Cooper	Townsend
Curtis, George C.	Machinist	West Townsend
Copeland, Robert A.	Janitor	Townsend
Creighton, William J.	Mechanic	Townsend
Cutter, Harry M.	Retired	West Townsend
Fagan, Charles E.	Cooper	Townsend
Ferry, Albert C.	Farmer	Townsend
Greer, Willard A.	Storekeeper	Townsend
Hathaway, Hollis	Highway Inspector	W. Townsend
Hotaling, Herbert P.	Mechanic	Townsend
Johnson, Hjalmar	Truck driver	Townsend
Johnson, Charles K.	Printer	Townsend
Leonard, Walter F.	Millhand	Townsend
Mackey, Clinton K.	Poulterer	Townsend Harbor
Morgan, Evans W.	Salesman	Townsend
Morse, Howard B.	Cooper	Townsend
Rusk, Richard D.	Stonemason	West Townsend
Rutherford, John G.	Engineer	Townsend
Reynolds, Charles H.	Workman	West Townsend
Shepler, Joseph M.	Clergyman, retired	Townsend
Walsh, Charles A.	Millhand	Townsend
Powell, George V.	Cooper	Townsend
Morgan, Eneas C.	Millhand	Townsend
Levante, Frank J.	Gardener	West Townsend
Leland, Frank N.	Mason	Townsend Harbor

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE  
CLARENCE H. CHRISTIAN

Selectmen of Townsend

## Report of Selectmen

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As instructed by the voters in the 1946 annual meeting the Selectmen purchased an Ingersoll-Rand compressor and a F. W. D. truck with plows. We were fortunate in locating machines we believed most suitable. Both of them were put to good use in 1946.

The installation of new heating systems in Memorial Hall has been started. It is hoped that all work will be completed in 1947.

The purchase of folding chairs for Memorial Hall has been held up on the advice of one of the largest manufacturers of such chairs.

Important traffic signs have been placed at strategic places. The more important ones were installed without cost to the town as a result of our negotiations with the State's Traffic department.

We found that the appropriations for extending water mains on Elm Street, West Townsend and Fitchburg Road were not enough to do the job. Even though sufficient funds had been available it would have been impossible to procure materials satisfactory to the Water Commissioners soon enough to complete the extensions in 1946. If the town votes the additional funds required we believe the extensions will be completed during the coming summer.

The town should be proud of the cooperative spirit displayed by the townspeople and the service men's organizations in helping the committee make a success of our Veteran's Welcome Home Day.

Warren Road construction was completed and it is now a Chapter 90 road to the Lunenburg line.

There is an article in the warrant for Chapter 90 construction on New Fitchburg road leading from West Townsend fire station through part of Lunenburg to Fitchburg. Before embarking on this project we believe there should be a definite understanding with Lunenburg and Fitchburg and Worcester County that if Townsend brings this road up to Chapter 90 standard that Lunenburg and Fitchburg will do likewise with their sections. That understanding has not been reached. Therefore no action should be taken under this article.

The board wishes to point out the inevitable raise in the tax rate for 1947 and suggests that each appropriation be given serious thought by the tax payers.

We thank all of the departments for their cooperation during the year 1946.

LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE  
CLARENCE H. CHRISTIAN

Selectmen of Townsend

## Report of the Chief of the Fire Department

To the Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1946:

Total number of calls to extinguish fires during the year:

Chimney fires	14
Building fires	5
Brush and Grass	29
Town dump	4
Automobile and truck	4
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Total	56
Loss on Property	6,750.00
Insurance paid	4,311.50

Following is the Roster of the Department:

## Board of Engineers

### **Bradford Hubbard, Chairman**

Ira Lund Louis Kleinberg

Herbert Hotaling      Charles Gould

## **Squanicook Co. No. 1**

Walter F. Leonard, Fire Chief and Fire Warden

Waldo Leahy, Foreman

**Raymond Floyd, First Assistant**

Omer Marquis, Second Assistant

## Robert Robichaud, Treasurer and

## Frank Richards, Steward

Arthur Martin

Emerson Chace

Raymond King

## Doria Boucher

Richard Ellis

Kenneth Robichaud

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Stephen Keefe, Jr.

Clinton Merrill

Everett Leaman

**Eclipse Engine Co. No. 2**

Daniel Ormsby, Foreman

William Saunders, First Assistant

Ralph Powers, Second Assistant and Steward

George Shepherd, Clerk and Treasurer

George Aro

Harry Butler

William Robbins

Alvin Eaton

Edward Elliott

Walter Wilson

Warren Elliott

Richard Rusk

Harold Amadon

Walter Bernhardt

Harvey Jowdry

**Harbor Hose Co. No. 3**

Charles Conner, Foreman

Cedric Misner, First Assistant

Ernest Hamel, Steward

Stanley Conner

Albert Barlow

Louis Josselyn

Respectfully submitted,

**WALTER F. LEONARD**

Fire Chief and Fire Warden

# Report of Accountant

To the Board of Selectmen of Townsend:

I submit the following report of the year ending December 31, 1946, classified largely according to the books of the Division of Accounts of the Commonwealth:

## RECEIPTS

## TAXES

### From the Tax Collector:

Levy of 1944, Real Estate	858.96
Personal	41.38
Levy of 1945, Real Estate	9,417.60
Personal	890.70
Levy of 1946, Real Estate	56,153.88
Personal	5,511.95
Polls	1,088.00
	73,962.47
M. V. Excise Tax, 1945	87.74
M. V. Excise Tax, 1946	2,920.28
	3,008.02
Classified Forest Land, 1946	442.98
Forestry Products Tax, 1946	56.15

### From the Commonwealth:

Income Tax	12,425.50
Corporation Taxes	10,390.49
Reimbursement, State owned land	605.23
	23,421.22

(For meal tax, see Old Age Assistance)

(For gasoline tax, see Highways)

## LICENSES, PERMITS AND FINES

### Local Licenses:

Liquor, 1947	300.00	
Gasoline	3.00	
Gasoline registrations	6.75	
Junk	25.00	
Auto dealer's	20.00	
Special Peddler's	2.00	
Victualler's	1.00	
Local Peddler's	2.00	
Firearms	5.00	
Auctioneer's	2.00	
Butcher's	1.00	
Jitney	1.00	
Camp	1.00	
Milk	7.50	
		377.25
Dog Licenses collected for County by Town Clerk		625.80
Fines No. Middlesex District Court		20.75

### DEPARTMENTAL

#### General Government

Memorial Hall Rent	392.00
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#### Protection and Health

Refund, Police	1.90	
Sealer W. and M., collections	28.84	
From State, health subsidy	434.28	
From Nurse, local collections	349.50	
Fees for slaughtering	108.00	
		922.52

## Highways

For Chapter 81, 1945 Account	3,533.51
For Chapter 81, Road Repairs, 1946	7,912.68
For Snow Removal	37.50
Gasoline Tax, Highway Fund	5,068.99
State credits, rent of machinery	1,352.80
Four-wheel Truck and Plows Loan	7,000.00
Accrued interest on truck loan	19.83
	24,925.31

## Public Welfare

### Relief and Aid to Dependent Children:

From State for Temporary Aid	1,063.15
State support indigent persons	998.78
Other towns	349.58
State Aid to Dependent Children	580.50
Federal Aid to Dependent Children	564.07
Federal Aid to Dependent Children Administration	8.28
Cancelled Check	10.00
	3,574.36

### Old Age Assistance:

From Federal Government	11,151.04
From Commonwealth of Massachusetts	10,348.46
From Federal Government for Administration	371.70
Meal Tax from State	900.46
From other towns	358.10
Cancelled unused checks	33.00
	23,162.76

## Infirmary

Board	317.00
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Eggs	10.40
Milk	172.67
Sale of pigs and calf	101.20
Telephone	3.89
	605.16

### Income from Trust Funds for Welfare

Amanda E. Dwight Fund	175.77
Spaulding & Wilson Funds	12.68
Albert J. Atwood Fund	382.50
Abram S. French Fund	175.00
	745.95

### Schools

Tuition, Town of Mason	1,105.40
Reimbursement for lost books, telephone calls	5.55
From State and Government:	
Mass. School Fund, Part 2	5,692.45
Supt.'s Salary and Expense	773.33
Vocational Tuition	962.46
Federal funds for Household Arts	71.29
Cancelled check for Household Arts	4.90
	8,615.38

Accrued Interest on Maria L. Lane School Fund, 1946	26.01
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### Library

Dog licenses refunded by County (reserved for library purposes)	390.46
Fines, sale of papers	97.31
Income, Amanda E. Dwight Fund	283.89
Income, Mary E. Worcester Fund	125.00
Income, Charles Emery Fund	7.50
	904.16

## Recreation, Unclassified, Refunds

Other Income from Trust Funds:	
M. E. Homer Reading Room	175.00
J. B. Blood Monument Fund	96.10
C. A. and G. E. Packard Fund for Parks	75.00
Dwight Concert and Lecture Fund	182.78
M. L. Lane School Fund	2.79
Sale of look-out tower	120.00
Cancelled insurance on look-out tower	5.41
Reimbursement on compensation insurance	14.38
Payroll Withholding Tax	3,129.70
Refund, emergency defense lights	.50
	3,801.66

## Water Department

Rentals	9,374.00
Hydrant Service	3,480.00
	12,854.00

## Cemeteries

Collections for annual care	457.50
Rent for lowering device	14.00
Sale of marker	1.00
Sale of lots and graves	170.00
	642.50

## Income From Cemetery Trust Funds

Perpetual Care of lots	688.14
Amanda E. Dwight Fund	151.85
Joel Giles Fund	55.00
James H. Tucker Fund	12.50
Henry Miner Floral Fund	1.50
Annice Gilson Floral Fund	1.14
Ai Richards Floral Fund	.76
Gustavus Anderson Floral Fund	.76
Belle H. Wiley Floral Fund	.76
	912.41

**Interest**

On deferred taxes	407.16
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**Trust Funds**

For Cemetery Perpetual Care	950.00
Savings Bank Fund transferred to purchase of Victory Bonds	50.00
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	1,000.00

Total Receipts for the Year	185,390.94
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**Transfers (To be deducted, not cash items)**

Accrued interest on Maria L. Lane School Fund	26.01
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Total Cash Receipts	185,364.93
Cash on hand January 1, 1946	63,120.89
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GRAND TOTAL	248,485.82

## P A Y M E N T S

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### **Moderator**

Salary	10.00
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#### **Selectmen**

##### Salaries:

Louis S. Josselyn, Chairman	191.00
Stephen W. Keefe, Clerk	200.00
Clarence H. Christian	120.00
Hollis Hathaway	39.00
	550.00

##### Expense:

Posting Warrants	12.00
Printing, stationery, postage	34.75
Advertising for bids	23.50
Dues, Selectmen's Association	9.00
Perambulating Town lines	9.00
	88.25

#### **Treasurer**

Salary	500.00
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##### Expense:

Surety Bond	56.50
Postage and envelopes	47.44
Check books	8.70
Safety deposit box	9.60
Check register	3.49
Treasurer's Association dues	1.00
Four tax takings	11.69
	138.42

**Tax Collector**

Salary	600.00
Expense:	
Surety bonds	95.50
Postage and envelopes	86.00
Advertising and making deeds	29.40
Books, forms and supplies	96.65
Collector's Association dues	1.00
Trucking safe	3.00
Traveling	32.04
	—————
	343.59

**Town Clerk**

Salary	150.00
Expense:	
Surety Bond	5.00
Forms and certificates	3.50
Town Clerk's Association dues	3.00
Stationery and postage	25.50
	—————
	37.00

**Accountant**

Salary	600.00
Expense:	
Stationery and supplies	4.81
Clerical	36.90
	—————
	41.71

**Assessors**

W. D. Farrar and use of car	119.60
Lyman A. Cook, Clerk	309.40
Joseph R. Arlin	108.80
Clerical assistance	34.73
Books, forms and supplies	125.32
Deeds, abstracts and probates	22.60
Dues, Assessors' Association	6.00
	—————
	726.45

<b>Town Counsel</b>		<b>30.00</b>
<b>Election and Registration</b>		
Election of officers and primary	170.60	
Recount	7.70	
Ballots, notices	53.25	
Registrar's meetings	79.00	
		<b>310.55</b>
<b>Certifying Town Notes</b>		<b>10.00</b>
<b>Memorial Hall</b>		
Janitor	1,068.50	
Coal	277.23	
Wood	198.00	
Lights	196.64	
<b>Repairs:</b>		
Installing toilet	29.20	
Other	4.25	
Supplies	42.88	
New equipment	250.77	
Water Rent	20.00	
Insurance	354.52	
Compulsory song license	10.00	
Trucking rubbish	4.50	
		<b>2,456.49</b>
<b>Seminary Hall</b>		
Insurance		<b>41.10</b>
<b>West Townsend Reading Room,</b>		
<b>Appropriation</b>		
For Care	144.00	
Insurance	29.41	
Lights	7.74	
Repairs on range	1.00	
		<b>182.15</b>
<b>Martha E. Homer Fund for Reading Room</b>		
Transferred to appropriation account		<b>74.02</b>

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police

#### Salaries as Chief:

Ira D. Carleton	2,054.00
Use of Car	497.42
Arthur P. Bliss and car	162.62

#### Services and use of cars:

Richard A. Keefe	11.50
Wilfred Hamel	56.25
Arthur Koykka	2.00
Everett Leaman	55.13
Special Police	27.50
Police Matron	10.75
Repairs to Cell	3.50
Cartridges	2.80
Supplies	12.70
Lights	12.00
Telephone	88.35
	2,996.52

(1.90 of this amount refunded)

### Fire Department

#### Salaries:

Chief	100.00
Firemen	780.75
G. L. Whitecomb Co.	316.27
	1,197.02

#### Expense:

Hourly services of call men	342.15
Telephone	57.91
Gasoline and oil	85.05
Supplies	12.12
Equipment and repairs	180.64
Fuel	403.57

Lights	64.50
Insurance	89.41
Water	60.00
Freight	4.39
	1,299.74

**Forest Fires**

Services of men	536.90
Ladder and fog nozzle	121.95
	658.85

**Hydrant Service**

Paid Water Department	3,480.00
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**Moth Suppression**

Superintendent for labor	98.00
Other labor	92.40
Truck	20.00
	210.40

**Tree Warden and Pruning Elms**

Labor	128.00
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**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

William F. Bailey, salary	84.83
Equipment	8.11
Insurance	9.61
	102.55

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

**Board of Health**

For Services of Board:

Dr. R. S. Ely	45.00
Henry S. Bailey	15.00
County Tuberculosis Hospital, 1 case discharged	81.00
County Tuberculosis Hospital 1 case	409.50

Burbank Hospital	180.00
Ambulance	25.00
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	755.50

#### **Nashoba Associated Boards of Health**

Townsend's share, 1946 contract	619.50
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#### **Town Nurse**

Salary and use of car	1,700.00
Supplies	57.26
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	1,757.26

#### **Vital Statistics**

To undertaker, death return	1.00
Town Clerk for records furnished	
State	74.50
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	75.50

#### **Inspection of Meat and Animals**

Lyman A. Cook and mileage	135.60
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#### **Dog Officer**

Investigating complaints	45.00
Care, custody and disposal	20.00
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	65.00

#### **Town Dump**

Work with bulldozer	22.00
Fill	49.50
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	71.50

## HIGHWAYS

### Road Repairs, State Supervision, Chapter 81

Superintendent and labor	3,882.60
Trucks	3,946.70
Roller, grader and F.W.D. truck	581.00
Gas shovel	168.00
Sand and gravel	4,917.20
Machinery rented by State	469.60
Tar	5,800.09
Pipe	1,157.24
Culverts	191.80
Grates	138.00
Cement	47.54
	21,299.77

### Maintenance, Various Roads, Chapter 90

Sand	289.80
Tar	1,209.79
	1,499.59

### Construction Warren Road

Superintendent and labor	2,316.15
Trucks	900.25
Gas shovel	744.00
Sand and gravel	4,593.60
Gas roller	114.00
Machinery rented by State	261.20
Tar	970.25
Pipe	93.77
	9,993.22

### Bridges and Village Streets

Labor	29.20
Trucks	22.00
Lumber	115.60

Lights	6.76
Cement and Oil	15.00
Lettering truck	7.00
R. R. signs	15.00
Insurance	157.75
Express	1.10
	369.41

#### Snow Removal

Labor	1,050.10
Trucks	4,017.90
Gas, oil and supplies	753.19
Sand	27.75
Equipment and repairs	220.76
Part for grader	440.00
Retzoff	162.00
Machinery rented by State	571.50
	7,243.20

#### Machinery Account

Gas and oil	257.62
Supplies	100.73
Tires	203.94
Equipment and repairs	258.86
Express	4.82
	825.97

(Unexpended balance, \$75.52, returned  
to Road Machinery Fund)

#### Road Machinery Fund

Transferred by vote to Machinery Account	901.49
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#### Street Lighting

Contract, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Co.	1,904.19
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#### Four-Wheel Truck and Plows

Truck and plows	7,847.50
Tire	104.42
Chains	32.10
	7,984.02

#### Air Compressor

	2,198.20
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## PUBLIC WELFARE

### Board of Welfare

#### Salaries:

C. F. Creighton, Chairman of Relief	300.00	
D. B. Keefe, Chairman of O.A.A.	300.00	
Francis N. Boutelle	100.00	
		700.00

#### Expense:

Stationery, postage and supplies	41.47	
Mileage, visiting and investigation	150.70	
		192.17

(For details of following accounts, see  
Report of Public Welfare Board)

Infirmary, total payments	3,906.55
Infirmary Water System special	31.73
Relief	3,808.83

#### Aid to Dependent Children

Payments from Appropriation	2,294.20	
Payments from Federal	135.45	
Federal Administration	10.00	
		2,429.65

(\$10.00 of this amount refunded)

#### Old Age Assistance

Payments from Appropriation	15,890.06	
Payments from Federal	11,322.62	
Federal Administration	371.00	
		27,583.68

(\$33.00 of this amount refunded)

Amanda E. Dwight Fund for Poor	379.38
Albert J. Atwood Fund for Poor	144.00

#### Soldiers' Benefits

Soldiers' relief	276.00	
Administration	20.90	
		296.90

## SCHOOLS

(For details of this account, see Report of Schools)

Payments from General Expense 47,943.31

### Household Arts, Federal Accounts

(Half total salary carried on this account)

Salary:

Paid by government funds 71.29

Transferred from General Expense 695.35

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766.64

Expense:

Transferred from General Expense 232.40

Cancelled unused check 4.90

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237.30

## LIBRARY

### General Expense

Salaries:

Julia H. Altmiller, Librarian 600.00

Assistant 16.00

Janitor 480.00

Books and magazines 214.98

International Year Book, 1946 6.15

Binding 22.65

Supplies 6.05

Trucking ashes 4.25

Incidentals 19.74

Insurance 209.21

Boiler inspection 5.00

Coal 76.18

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1,660.21

### Amanda E. Dwight Books and

### Maintenance Fund

Fuel 104.84

Lights and bulbs 85.28

Water 20.00

Refinishing floors	27.95
Replacing relay on heating plant	17.00
	255.07

**Mary E. Worcester Memorial Fund**

Fuel	132.36
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**RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED**

**Parks**

Lights	16.91
Insurance	35.50
Mowing and cleaning Common	82.75
Supplies	77.61
Repairs and trucking	33.75
	246.52

**John B. Blood Monument Fund**

Labor on Common	72.75
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**C. A. and G. E. Packard Fund for Parks**

Survey work at Howard Park	8.00
Rent storage space	9.00
Cleaning and mowing Common	11.00
	28.00

**Maria L. Lane School Fund**

	2.79
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**Memorial Day Observance**

Paid Townsend Memorial Association	199.65
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**Band Concerts**

Paid Townsend Military Band	400.00
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**Welcome Home Day Celebration**

Ashby Military Band	125.00
Universal Decorating Co.	84.00
Orchestra	140.00
	349.00

**A. E. Dwight Concert and Lecture Fund**

The Camerons and Pitt Parker	90.00
Clark Duo, Wallace, Metcalf	120.00
Royal Jubilee Singers	100.00
	310.00

**Town Reports of 1945**

Times-Free Press Co., 800 copies	380.00
Distribution	30.69
	410.69

**Compensation Insurance**

Paid G. L. Whitcomb Co.	460.00
(\$14.38 premium reimbursed)	

**Rehabilitation Committee**

Clerk	50.00
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**Miscellaneous****Town Office:**

Telephone	58.71
Stationery and supplies	31.62
Repairs to adding machine	3.75
Printing names on honor roll	6.00
Emergency defense lights	1.00
	101.08

(50c of this refunded on emergency defense lights)

**Reserve Fund****Transferred to:**

Welcome Home Day	350.00
Insurance on Town buildings	417.60
Water Department	600.00
Infirmary	683.26
Dog officer	25.00
Tax collector's expense	43.59
Assessors' expense	126.45
	2,245.90

**Other Bills Payable:**

Charged to 1945 appropriation	2,899.91
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## WATER DEPARTMENT

### Annual Maintenance

Richard A. Keefe, Supt.	2,080.00
Henry S. Bailey, Assistant	50.00
Postage and express	45.45
Telephone and office supplies	61.95
Maintenance supplies	157.87
Labor	1,018.05
Service material	643.41
Truck	297.26
Power	1,514.16
Hydrants	17.35
Fuel	143.27
Insurance	94.63
Bond	10.00
Preparing and recording easements	21.81
Labor on picks	5.00
Bridge labor	21.00
Bridge material	94.92
Brush labor	14.00
Snow labor	15.00
	6,305.14

## CEMETERIES

### General and Annual Care

Secretary, Della G. Morgan	100.00
Stationery and postage	12.74
Labor, Hillside Cemetery	551.10
Labor, Riverside Cemetery	252.60
Fertilizer, loam and supplies	32.30
Repairs to lawn mowers	25.50
Roofing paper	4.50
Water rent, Riverside Cemetery	25.00
Insurance	9.94
Work with truck	11.38
	1,024.56

### **Soldiers' Graves**

Labor, Hillside Cemetery	230.40
Labor, Riverside Cemetery	12.60
Work with truck	7.00
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	250.00

### **Development of Additions**

Loam and bulldozer work	200.00
Seed	9.50
Manure	15.00
Trucking	14.50
Labor	63.60
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	302.60

### **Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots**

Labor, Hillside Cemetery	493.40
Labor, Riverside Cemetery	437.70
Trucking	9.02
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	940.12

### **Amanda E. Dwight Cemetery Fund**

Water rent, Hillside Cemetery	50.00
Labor, Hillside Cemetery	42.60
Trucking	.75
Lowering device straps	12.50
Truck dragging roads	6.65
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	112.50

### **Cemetery Floral Funds**

#### **Memorial Day plants for graves:**

Henry A. Miner fund	1.75
Annice M. Gilson fund	1.50
Ai Richards fund	.75
Gustavus Anderson fund	.75
Belle H. Wiley fund	.75
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	5.50

## INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Annual Water Bond	5,000.00
Interest on Bonds	2,677.50
	7,677.50

## TAXES

### To the Commonwealth

Annual Tax	1,950.00
Parks and Reservations	143.40
	2,093.40

### To the County

Annual Tax	3,891.56
Tuberculosis Hospital Association	1,129.62
Dog licenses collected by Town Clerk	625.80
	5,646.98

### To Collector of Internal Revenue

Withholding Tax deductions	2,123.30
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### Refunds

For overpayment of taxes	9.20
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## TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Perpetual Care funds for purchase of U. S. Bonds	1,000.00
Total charges for the year	200,412.81

## TRANSFERS

M. E. Homer Fund to Reading Room appropriation	74.02
Schools to Town Nurse	700.00
Schools to Household Arts accounts	927.75
Tree Warden to Moth Suppression	10.40
Reserve Fund to Sundry accounts	2,245.90
Road Machinery Account to Road Machinery Fund	901.49

Accounts payable, 1946 charges (to be deducted, not cash items)	1,290.97	
		6,150.43
Total cash payments for the year	194,262.28	
Cash on hand December 31, 1946	54,223.54	
GRAND TOTAL	248,485.82	

**BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1946**  
**GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

<b>Assets</b>			<b>Liabilities</b>
Cash in Townsend National Bank	54,223.54	Accounts Payable	1,295.97
Uncollected Taxes:		Balances Carried Forward:	
Levy of 1945, Real estate	665.35	Appropriation Accounts	16,432.25
Levy of 1945, Personal	116.85	Income from Trust Funds	4,205.08
Levy of 1946, Real Estate	<u>10,592.53</u>	Sales, Cemetery Lots Fund	274.20
Levy of 1946, Personal	<u>1,289.68</u>	Surplus Overlay Reserve	4,667.09
		Reserves for Abatements:	
		Overlay, 1945	762.25
		Withholding Tax	1,006.40
		Departmental Revenue not Available	
		until collected	
		M. V. Excise Revenue	1,616.76
		Water Revenue	136.52
		Tax Title Revenue	761.00
		Aid to Highways Revenue	549.09
		SURPLUS REVENUE, December 31, 1946	22,199.32
Overlay 1946, Overdraft			38,709.71
State Taxes, Parks and Reser-			
vations, Overdraft			
County Taxes, Overdraft			
Accounts Receivable:			
Relief	1,040.15		
Aid to Dependent Chil-			
dren	325.11		
Schools	24.00		
Cemeteries	227.50		
		1,616.76	
State Aid to Highways:			
Road Repairs, Chapter 81		13,699.32	
Maintenance, Chapter 90		1,000.00	
Warren Road		7,500.00	
			<u><u>\$92,615.64</u></u>

<b>DEBT ACCOUNTS</b>	Water System Bond Issue	74,000.00
	Four-Wheel Truck and Plow Notes	7,000.00
		<hr/> 81,000.00

Net Funded Debt

In Custody of Town Treasurer

<b>TRUST ACCOUNTS</b>		
95,027.83	M. E. Homer Fund, W. T. Reading Room	10,000.00
	Harriet Spaulding Worthy Poor Fund	300.00
	Susan E. Wilson Worthy Poor Fund	334.00
	Albert J. Atwood Fund for Poor & Needy	16,000.71
	Abram S. French Fund	10,000.00
	Maria L. Lane Fund for Schools	1,752.27
	Mary E. Worcester Fund for Library	5,000.00
	Charles Emery Fund for Library	500.00
	J. B. Blood Monument Fund	5,055.85
	C. A. & G. E. Packard Fund for Parks	5,000.00
	Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots Fund	37,835.00
	Joel Giles Cemetery Fund	2,200.00
	James Tucker Cemetery Fund	500.00
	Henry A. Miner Floral Fund	100.00
	Annicie C. Gilson Floral Fund	150.00
	Al Richards Floral Fund	100.00
	Gustavus Anderson Floral Fund	100.00
	Belle Helleur Wiley Floral Fund	100.00
		<hr/> 95,027.83
	Amanda E. Dwight Funds:	
	For Care of Poor	7,639.92
	For Library Books and Maintenance	9,687.35
	For Concerts and Lectures	7,597.59
	For Cemeteries	5,521.64
		<hr/> 125,474.33
	In Custody of New England Trust Co.	
	of Boston	
	30,446.50	
		<hr/> 125,474.33

STATEMENT OF OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES, DECEMBER 31, 1946

Temporary Loans

None outstanding

Town Debt

Water System Construction:

Bonds issued June 1, 1934, Rate 3.50%		
\$5,000 due annually June 1, 1947 to June 1, 1948	10,000.00	
\$4,000 due annually June 1, 1949 to June 1, 1964	64,000.00	
		74,000.00
Four-Wheel Truck and Plow:		
Notes issued September 1, 1946, Rate 1 1/2 %		
\$2,000 due September 1, 1947	2,000.00	
2,000 due September 1, 1948	2,000.00	
1,000 due September 1, 1949	1,000.00	
1,000 due September 1, 1950	1,000.00	
1,000 due September 1, 1951	1,000.00	
		7,000.00

Total Town Debt

## SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

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	Receipts			
	Appropriations			
	Transfers	Payments	Balances	
<b>General Government</b>				
Moderator	10.00	10.00	.....	
Selectmen, Salaries	550.00	550.00	.....	
Selectmen, Expense	100.00	88.25	11.75	
Treasurer, Salary	500.00	500.00	.....	
Treasurer, Expense	250.00	138.42	111.58	
Tax Collector, Salary	600.00	600.00	.....	
Tax Collector, Expense*	343.59	343.59	.....	
Accountant, Salary	600.00	600.00	.....	
Accountant, Expense	150.00	41.71	108.29	
Town Clerk, Salary	150.00	150.00	.....	
Town Clerk, Expense	50.00	37.00	13.00	
Assessors, Services and Expense*	726.45	726.45	.....	
Town Counsel	100.00	30.00	70.00	
Election and Registration	325.00	310.55	14.45	
Certifying Town Notes	20.00	10.00	10.00	
Seminary Hall	50.00	41.10	8.90	
Memorial Hall*	2,508.54	2,456.49	52.05	
Memorial Hall Heating Equip.	8,000.00	.....	8,000.00	
Memorial Hall Seats	2,500.00	.....	2,500.00	
West Townsend Reading Room				
Appropriation*	182.15	182.15	.....	
<b>Protection of Persons and Property</b>				
Police	3,000.00	2,994.62	5.38	
Fire Department Salaries	1,200.00	1,197.02	2.98	
Fire Department Expense	1,697.99	1,299.74	398.25	
Hydrant Service	3,480.00	3,480.00	.....	
Forest Fires	700.00	658.85	41.15	
Forest Fire Patrol	200.00	.....	200.00	
Moth Suppression*	210.40	210.40	.....	
Tree Warden	100.00	66.40	33.60	
Pruning Elms	100.00	61.60	38.40	
Sealer of Weights and Measures*	102.55	102.55	.....	
Bounties	10.00	.....	10.00	

## Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	1,023.50	755.50	268.00
Nashoba Associated Boards of of Health	619.50	619.50	.....
Town Nurse*	1,800.00	1,757.26	42.74
Vital Statistics	80.00	75.50	4.50
Inspection of Meat and Animals	250.00	135.60	114.40
Dog officer	75.00	65.00	10.00
Vaccine for Rabies	50.00	.....	50.00
Town Dump	125.00	71.50	53.50

## Highways

Chapter 81, Road repairs*	21,300.00	21,299.77	.23
Chapter 90, Maintenance	1,500.00	1,499.59	.41
Bridges and Village streets*	1,028.60	369.41	659.19
Snow removal	7,500.00	7,243.20	256.80
Street Lighting*	2,090.88	1,904.19	186.69
Warren Road	10,000.00	9,993.22	6.78
Wheeler Road Bridge	1,600.00	.....	1,600.00
Road Machinery Account	901.49	825.97	75.52
Road Machinery Fund*	2,254.29	901.49	1,352.80
Four-wheel Truck and Plows	8,000.00	7,984.02	15.98
Accrued Interest on Loan	19.83	.....	19.83
Air Compressor	2,300.00	2,198.20	101.80

## Public Welfare

Board of Welfare Salaries	700.00	700.00	.....
Board of Welfare Expense	200.00	192.17	7.83
Infirmary*	3,906.55	3,906.55	.....
Infirmary Water System	200.64	31.73	168.91
Relief	4,000.00	3,808.83	191.17
Aid to Dependent Children:			
Appropriation Account	2,500.00	2,284.20	215.80
Federal Grant	664.23	135.45	528.78
Federal Grant Administration	11.66	10.00	1.66
Old Age Assistance:			
Appropriation Account	16,000.00	15,857.06	142.94
Federal Grant	11,980.90	11,350.79	630.11
Federal Grant Administration	372.32	371.00	1.32

## Soldiers' Benefits

Veterans' Aid	1,000.00	276.00	724.00
Veterans' Aid Administration	200.00	20.90	179.10

## Schools

General Expense*	47,943.78	47,943.31	.47
Household Arts Salary*	766.64	766.64	
Household Arts Expense*	232.40	232.40	
Vocational Tuition	300.00	.....	300.00
Drainage Project	600.00	.....	600.00

## Library

General Expense*	1,660.21	1,660.21	

## Recreation and Unclassified

Parks	250.00	246.52	3.48
Memorial Day*	199.65	199.65	.....
Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	.....
Welcome Home Day*	350.00	349.00	1.00
Land Purchase from Wood Heirs — Adams' Dam*	250.00	.....	250.00
Town Reports	410.69	410.69	.....
Compensation Insurance	464.38	460.00	4.38
Custodian, Tax Title Posses- sions	25.00	.....	25.00
Post-War Public Works Plan- ning Board	200.00	.....	200.00
Rehabilitation Committee	200.00	50.00	150.00
Miscellaneous	400.00	100.58	299.42
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	2,245.90	754.10

## Water Department

Annual Maintenance*	6,344.20	6,305.14	39.06

## Cemeteries

General and Annual Care*	1,002.95	968.31	34.64
Soldiers' Graves	250.00	250.00	.....
Development of Cemetery Addi- tions*	400.00	302.60	97.40
Water Shut-offs in Cemetery	6.07	.....	6.07

## Interest

General Account	100.00	.....	100.00
On Water Bonds	2,677.50	2,677.50	.....

### Maturing Debt

Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00	.....
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### Bequests for Trust Funds

Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,000.00	1,000.00	.....
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### Income from Trust Funds

West Townsend Reading Room*	780.66	74.02	706.64
Maria L. Lane School Fund	2.79	2.79	.....
Dwight Fund for Poor	511.49	379.38	132.11
Atwood Fund for Poor and Needy	766.25	144.00	622.25
Spaulding & Wilson Fund for Poor	112.51	.....	112.51
A. S. French Fund for Welfare	175.00	.....	175.00
Dwight Fund for Library	333.02	256.32	76.70
Worcester Fund for Library	151.31	132.36	18.95
Charles Emery Fund for Library	11.25	.....	11.25
Blood Monument Fund	217.58	72.75	144.83
Packard Fund for Parks	189.00	28.00	161.00
Dwight Concert and Lecture Fund	1,048.56	310.00	738.56
Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,603.80	996.37	607.43
Dwight Cemetery Fund	605.94	112.50	493.44
Giles Cemetery Fund	115.78	.....	115.78
Tucker Cemetery Fund	82.87	.....	82.87
Miner Floral Fund	3.91	1.75	2.16
Gilson Floral Fund	2.60	1.50	1.10
Richards Floral Fund	1.29	.75	.54
Anderson Floral Fund	1.92	.75	1.17
Wiley Floral Fund	1.54	.75	.79

### Refunds

Police	1.90	1.90	.....
Aid to Dependent Children	10.00	10.00	.....
Old Age Assistance	33.00	33.00	.....
Miscellaneous — Emergency			
Defense	.50	.50	.....
Household Arts Expense	4.90	4.90	.....

213,973.90	187,663.23	26,310.67	
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\*TRANSFERS

Reserve Fund to	
Welcome Home Day	350.00
Blanket Insurance	417.60
Water Department	600.00
Infirmary	683.26
Dog Officer	25.00
Collector's Expense	43.59
Assessors' Expense	126.45
Excess and Deficiency to	
Chapter 81, Road Repairs	5,325.00
Excess and Deficiency by Vote at Special	
Town Meeting:	
Water Department	500.00
Memorial Day	49.65
Land Purchase from Wood	
Heirs	250.00
Tree Warden to Moth Suppression	10.40
Homer Fund to W. T. Reading	
Room	82.15
Schools to Town Nurse	700.00
Schools to Household Arts Salary	695.35
Schools to Household Arts Expense	232.40
Bal. on Machinery Account to Road	
Machinery Fund	75.52
Electric lights near Coleman &	
Welch to Street Lighting	49.92

## GENERAL SUMMARY

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Unexpended balances on departmental accounts 26,310.67  
 Less balances carried forward:

**Appropriation Accounts:**

Memorial Hall Heating Equipment	8,000.00
Memorial Hall Seats	2,500.00
Fire Department Expense	225.00
Street Lighting	174.85
Wheeler Road Bridge	1,600.00
Road Machinery Fund	1,428.32
Accrued Interest on Loan of Truck	19.83
Infirmary Water System	168.91
Aid to Dependent Children	528.78
A. D. C. Administration	1.66
Old Age Assistance	630.11
O. A. A. Administration	1.32
School Drainage Project	600.00
Land Purchase from Wood Heirs	250.00
Post-War Public Works Planning Board	200.00
Development of Cemetery Additions	97.40
Water Shut-offs in Cemetery	6.07

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Appropriation Balances carried forward 16,432.25

**Income from Trust Funds:**

Amount carried forward	4,205.08
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Departmental balances carried forward	20,637.33
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Net unexpended appropriation balances	5,673.34
Add Surplus on Revenue Account of 1946	9,782.27

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Surplus Revenue for the year 1946	15,455.61
Add Surplus Revenue of previous years	23,254.10

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Total SURPLUS REVENUE, Dec. 31, 1946	38,709.71
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Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED B. COLBY

Town Accountant

# ANNUAL BUDGET

	Receipts	Appropriations	Expended	Department Estimate	Approved by Finance Committee
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
Moderator	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00 ✓✓
Selectmen, Salaries	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00 ✓✓
Selectmen, Expense	100.00	88.25	100.00	100.00	100.00 ✓✓
Treasurer, Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00 ✓✓
Treasurer, Expense	250.00	138.42	250.00	250.00	250.00 ✓✓
Tax Collector, Salary	600.00	600.00	1,000.00	700.00	700.00 ✓✓
Tax Collector, Expense	343.59	343.59	400.00	400.00	400.00 ✓✓
Accountant, Salary	600.00	600.00	600.00	700.00	700.00 ✓✓
Accountant, Expense	150.00	41.71	100.00	100.00	100.00 ✓✓
Town Clerk, Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00 ✓✓
Town Clerk, Expense	50.00	37.00	50.00	50.00	50.00 ✓✓
Assessors, Serv. & Exp.	726.45	726.45	700.00	700.00	700.00 ✓✓
Town Counsel	100.00	30.00	100.00	100.00	100.00 ✓✓
Election and Regis.	325.00	310.55	275.00	275.00	275.00 ✓✓
Certifying Town Notes	20.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	30.00 ✓✓
Seminary Hall	50.00	41.10	.....	.....	.....
Memorial Hall	2,508.54	2,456.49	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00 ✓
W T Rdg Rm Ap Acct	182.15	182.15	100.00	100.00	100.00 ✓

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police	3,001.90	2,996.52	3,880.00	3,880.00 ✓
Fire Dept. Salaries	1,200.00	1,197.02	1,380.00	1,380.00 ✓✓
Fire Dept. Expense	1,697.99	1,299.74	1,850.00	1,850.00 ✓✓
Forest Fires	700.00	658.85	700.00	700.00 ✓✓
Forest Fire Patrol	200.00	0	200.00	200.00 ✓✓
Moth Suppression	210.40	210.40	200.00	200.00 ✓✓
Tree Warden	100.00	66.40	100.00	100.00 ✓✓
Pruning Elms	100.00	61.60	100.00	100.00 ✓✓
Sealer Wgts. and Meas.	102.55	102.55	120.00	120.00 ✓✓
Bounties	10.00	0	10.00	10.00 ✓✓

### HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	1,023.50	755.50	1,023.50	1,023.50
Nashoba Assoc't'd Bds. of Health	619.50	619.50	619.50	619.50
Town Nurse	1,800.00	1,757.26	2,000.00	2,000.00
Appropriation	\$1,300.00			
School Transfer	700.00			
Insp. Meat & Anim.	250.00	135.60	250.00	250.00
Vital Statistics	80.00	75.50	100.00	100.00
Dog Officer	75.00	65.00	75.00	75.00
Vaccine for Rabies	50.00	0	50.00	50.00
Town Dump	125.00	71.50	125.00	125.00

### HIGHWAYS

Bridges & Vil. Sts.	1,028.60	369.41	1,000.00	1,000.00
Snow Removal	7,500.00	7,243.20	6,000	
Street Lighting	2,040.96	1,904.19	2,088.43	2,088.43
Road Mach. Acct.	901.49	825.97	See Article 7	

### PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries of Board	700.00	700.00		
Welfare			200.00	200.00
O.A.A and A.D.C.			750.00	750.00
Expense of Board	200.00	192.17	200.00	200.00
Infirmary	3,906.55	3,906.55	3,400.00	3,400.00
Infirmary Repairs			1,500.00	1,500.00
Relief	4,000.00	3,808.83	4,000.00	4,000.00
Aid to Dep't Child'n	3,174.23	2,429.65	2,000.00	2,000.00
'46 Appro.	2,510.00			
'46 Fed. grant	664.23			
Old Age Ass'tnce	27,985.73	27,240.85	17,000.00	17,000.00
'46 Appro.	16,033.00			
'46 Fed. grant	11,952.73			

### SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Soldiers' Benefits	1,000.00	276.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Soldiers' Benefits Adm.	200.00	20.90	300.00	300.00

### SCHOOLS

Gen. Exp. & Voc. Ed.	47,943.78	47,943.31	60,600.00	59,600.00
Vocational Tuition	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00

## LIBRARY

General Expense 1,660.21 1,660.21  
\$1,750.20 less '46 dog lic.

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## RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks	250.00	246.52	250.00	250.00 —
Band Concerts	400.00	400.00	450.00	450.00 <del>—</del>
Memorial Day	199.65	199.65	225.00	225.00 <del>—</del>
Town Reports	410.69	410.69	622.80	
Compensation Ins.	464.38	460.00	575.00	575.00 <del>—</del>
Cust'd'n T.T. Poss's'ns	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00
Miscellaneous	400.00	101.08	400.00	400.00
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	2,245.90	See article	

## WATER DEPARTMENT

Annual Maintenance	6,344.20	6,305.14	7,750.00	7,750.00
Hydrant Service	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00 <del>—</del>

## CEMETERIES

Gen'l and Annual Care	1,059.20	1,024.56	1,000.00	1,000.00
Soldiers' Graves	250.00	250.00	300.00	300.00 <del>—</del>

## INTEREST

General Account	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00 <del>—</del>
On Water Bonds	2,677.50	2,677.50	2,502.50	2,502.50 <del>—</del>
On Truck Notes			105.00	105.00 <del>—</del>

## MATURING DEBT

Water Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Truck Note			2,000.00	2,000.00



# Town Warrant

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Annual Town Meeting — March 3, 1947

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend  
in said County:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
you are required to notify and warn the freeholders and  
other inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections  
and in town affairs to meet in Memorial Hall in said Town-  
send, on March 3, 1947 at 9 A. M. to act on the following  
articles, viz.:

To give in their votes on one ballot for Moderator,  
three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk,  
Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, two Con-  
stables, three Trustees of the Tucker Fund, three members  
of the Board of Health, all for one year; one Selectman,  
one Trustee of the Public Library, one Cemetery Commis-  
sioner, one Assessor, two members of the School Committee,  
one trustee of the Public Library, one Park Commissioner,  
one Cemetery Commissioner, one Water Commissioner, all  
to serve for three years. Also one Water Commissioner  
for two years.

The Polls will be open at 9 A. M., and will be closed  
at 6:30 P. M. The meeting in Town affairs will begin at  
11:00 A. M.

Article 1. To choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 2. To accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 3. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1947.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 4. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1948.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 5. To choose an agent, or agents, to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 6. To choose a committee for the suppression of vice and prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize a transfer of \$1,428.32 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 8. To raise and appropriate money for the several departments of the town, a detailed list of which will be found in the budget included in the report of the Selectmen.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways. (Town's share \$400).

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer, from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the maintenance of Chapter 81 Highways. (Town's share \$5,325).

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of New Fitchburg Road, said money to be used in conjunction with any money that may be allocated by the State or County, or both, for this purpose. (Town's share \$2,500).

Not approved by Finance Committee

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,177.98 to pay the County of Middlesex for the town's assessment in connection with the Middlesex County Sanatorium for the year 1946.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 13. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$4,000, by transfer, from Surplus Revenue, to the Reserve Fund. *Approved noted*

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a sum not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for the purpose of stabilizing the 1947 tax rate.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cap or fill the unused well in the rear of Hillside Cemetery.

Not approved by Finance Committee

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a power trimmer for use in the cemeteries. (\$250).

Not approved by Finance Committee

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$100 to grade and construct a concrete sidewalk on the premises outside of St. John's Rectory on School Street. Abutter to pay one-half of cost.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for use of the Park Commissioners to repair and paint the Common fence and paint wire and install new ceiling in the band stand.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 19. To see if the town will grant the Park Commissioners permission to sell the available lumber in Howard Park.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$176 for the payment of Soldier's Benefit bills of previous years.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a zoning committee of three citizens for the purpose of preparing a zoning by-law for submission to the town at some future town meeting, and raise and appropriate \$200 for use of the committee to initiate a plan.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to designate by suitable markers the several streets, roads and ways in Townsend, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Not approved by Finance Committee

*in Reservation*

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,400 to be added to the present Wheeler bridge appropriation, the total to be used to put said bridge in a suitable condition.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in combating the Dutch Elm Disease (\$500). ~

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 25. To decide whether the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses shall be used for the Public Library or the Schools.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 723 of the Acts of 1945, authorizing the establishment and maintenance of a Department of Veterans' Service, as further required by Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946, making mandatory the establishment of such service,—and Acts of 1947 further relating thereto.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote passed under Article 27 of the warrant for the annual town meeting held on March 4, 1946, whereby the sum of \$7,500 was voted for the extension of water main on Elm Street, by increasing the amount from \$7,500 to \$12,000, so as to read as follows:—VOTED: That the sum of \$12,000 be raised and appropriated for the extension of water main, of not less than eight inches in diameter, on Elm Street, West Townsend, and to meet said appropriation that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$12,000 and to issue notes of the town therefor, said notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 15 years from the date of issue of the first note, or at such earlier time as the treasurer and selectmen may determine.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote passed under Article 28 of the warrant for the annual town meeting held on March 4, 1946, whereby the sum of \$7,500 was voted for the extension of water main on Fitchburg Road, by increasing the amount from \$7,500 to \$12,000, so as to read as follows:—VOTED: That the sum of \$12,000 be raised and appropriated for the extension of water main, of not less than eight inches in diameter, on Fitchburg Road, and to meet said appropriation that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$12,000 and to issue notes of the town therefor, said notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 15 years from the date of issue of the first note, or at such earlier time as the treasurer and selectmen may determine.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to paint the water tank.

Not approved by Finance Committee because of difficulty in getting proper paint at this time. Should be done next year.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$27.26 to install a street light near the home of Harold Adams.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$33.76 to install a street light near the home of Ira Carleton.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$23.76 to install a street light in front of Memorial Hall.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$28.36 to install a street light on north side of Main Street near easterly driveway of the Onthank place.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$31.38 to install a street light near the home of A. D. Bagley.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$33.76 to install a street light at the corner of Osgood and Highland streets.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30.16 to install a street light on Spaulding Road just above the Paradise property.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$18.36 to install a street light near the home of Richard Hikel.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$18.36 to install a street light opposite the rectory on School Street.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$18.36 to install a street light on third pole from Canal bridge east side Elm Street, going towards Main Street, Townsend Center.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$18.36 to install a street light on the second pole south of railroad crossing on Elm Street, Townsend Center.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$18.36 to install a street light near the home of R. E. Higgs on Highland Street.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to remove the street light from in front of the home of Joseph Reeves on Highland Street and install it at its former location near the Dudley driveway. No cost.

Article 43. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$23.76 to install a street light near the home of Grace M. Thompson, Main Street, West Townsend.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 44. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Warren Road from near the home of James Smith to near the home of Michael Gaizick, a distance of approximately 4,000 feet.

Not approved by Finance Committee

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase 500 feet of hose for Fire Department. (\$750).

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 46. To see if the town will vote to release all of its right, title and interest in the Harbor School property, so-called, to the present owner thereof.

Article 47. To see if the town will vote to accept from Ernest F. Reeves the sum of One hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Lilla Reeves Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 42, Sec. 7.

Article 48. To see if the town will vote to accept from Bertha E. Warren the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Franklin H. Warren Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center, Lot No. 38, Sec. 3.

Article 49. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Albert A. Howard Heirs the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Howard - Spaulding Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center, Lot No. 36, Sec. 1.

Article 50. To see if the town will vote to accept from Mabel P. Sargent the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Walter B. Lewis Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 47, Sec. 4.

Article 51. To see if the town will vote to accept from Florence Felch the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Harry C. Felch Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 39A, Sec. 5.

Article 52. To see if the town will vote to accept from Ethel M. Hinds the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Aaron J. Hinds Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 23, Sec. I.

Article 53. To see if the town will vote to accept from the Estate of Louise E. Davis the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) in trust, to apply on four cemetery lots as follows:

Nellie A. and Edward T. Davis Lot, Two Hundred Dollars, Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 26, Row 7.

Rufus Winn Lot, One Hundred Dollars, Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend. Lot No. 12, Row 5.

Ford F. Reed Lot, Two Hundred Dollars, Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 31, Sec. 4.

Leonard Reed Lot, One Hundred Dollars, Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 2, Sec. 6.

The income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the above named Lots in Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend and Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center.

Article 54. To see if the town will vote to accept from Emma E. Morse the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Edward B. Morse Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 17, Sec. Hill.

Article 55. To see if the town will vote to accept from Edward D. Bliss the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Edward D. Bliss Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center, Lot No. 28A, Sec. 6.

Article 56. To see if the town will vote to accept from Nathalie Misner the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Ralph Misner Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center, Lot No. 28A, Sec. 7.

Article 57. To see if the town will vote to accept from Clifford S. Lancey the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Clifford S. Lancey Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 50A, Sec. 4.

Article 58. To see if the town will vote to accept from Samuel A. Woods the sum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Samuel A. Woods Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 1A, Sec. 4.

Article 59. To see if the town will vote to accept from Gladys H. Greer the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Willard Greer Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 25, Sec. 7,

Article 60. To see if the town will vote to accept from Adelaide Battin the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Donald C. Battin Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot. No. 37A, Sec. 3.

Article 61. To see if the town will vote to accept from Nelson M. Tuttle the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Ellen M. Tuttle Lot in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center. Lot No. 51A, Sec. 1.

Article 62. To see if the town will vote to accept from Alice G. and Mattie E. Brown the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Benjamin Brown Lot No. 5, Sec. 6 and the Nathan Farrar Lot No. 20, Sec. 4 in Hillside Cemetery, Townsend Center.

NOTE: The Finance Committee believes that no perpetual care fund of less than \$100 should be accepted.

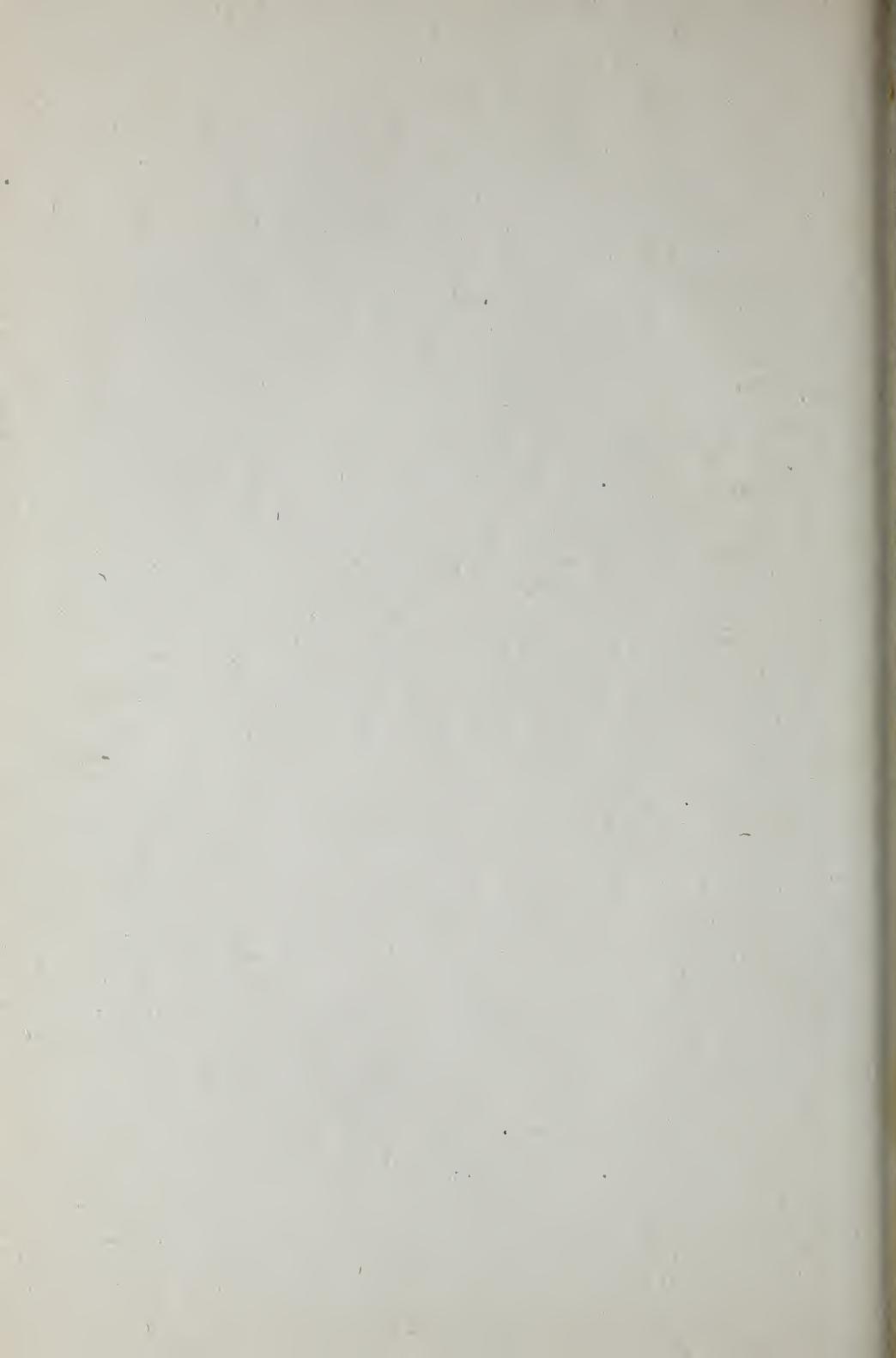
Article 63. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the Infirmary property.

Approved by Finance Committee

Article 64. To choose committees, to hear reports of committees or to act in any way in relation to any of the foregoing articles.

Given under our hands this tenth day of February, A.D. 1947.

LOUIS S. JOSSELYN  
STEPHEN W. KEEFE  
CLARENCE H. CHRISTIAN  
Selectmen of Townsend



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